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Limestone's 55,000 Bale Cotton Crop Practically All In

KANSAS STIRRED OVER ACTION OF GOVERNOR

East Central Texas Estimated Yield 136,186,082 Barrels

GREAT VOLUME ADDS IMMENSE WEALTH TO DISTRICT

A fair and conservative estimate of the production of the fields of East Central Texas, since the deep prolific sands of the Woodbine formation of the Balconnes fault were discovered by Colonel A. E. Humphreys four years ago, gives the district in excess of 136,000,000 barrels.

Of the fields along the fault in this part of Texas, Mexia a major fault and Currie a minor fault, which became factors in Texas in the Fall of 1921, are yet in the lead, with a total of 68,737,037 barrels. Both were discovered by Humphreys companies.

Powell is second in total yield, as well as in second place in productive areas in Texas today, with 62,802,238 barrels. This field was discovered in January 1922.

Richland which appeared on the oil horizon in the Spring of 1921 has produced 3,241,807.

These are all deep fields, the posted price for which is now $1.25 per barrel which average has been more than maintained all along.

The latest pool to join the group is that at Wortham, brought in by the Humphreys Boyd Oil Company, and since the Friday before thanksgiving, when the N. B. Boyd 1, discovery well, was brought in, since which it has produced around 700,000 barrels.

The total for these according to these estimates is barrels district have during this period of four years produced near the same amount as Wortham has in six weeks or 700,000, giving the entire district a combined estimate of 136,186,082 barrels.

This volume at $1.25 per barrel would give the section added wealth produced in these four years in excess of $170,000,000.

For a time, the price at Mexia was $2.00 per barrel and at Currie higher than that. Also by a deal with major purchasing companies, the old Humphreys oil Company sold 66,000,000 barrels of oil for $1.50 per barrel, which price maintained here for that company, when other companies were receiving less.

On November 13, 1923, the peak was reached for these fields when their combined production for the day was around 400,000 barrels.

VETERANS MUST FILE FOR THEIR COMPENSATION

Z. Rochelle, Adjutant for the Nowlin Post of the American Legion, calls attention to all service men to the Washington order that all desiring adjusted compensation must file their applications before midnight tonight. Offices all over the United States are being deluged with an avalanche of applications and scores of men in this section will no doubt be greatly benefited by heeding the instruction to file today.

Bunn Takes Tax Books to Austin For State O. K.

A. B. Bunn, county tax assessor, left Tuesday night for Austin with the assessment books of the county, where he will get the stamp of approval of the state officials on the rolls turning them over to W. A. Robbins, collector.

Mr. Bunn is expected to return by Monday, when tax payments will be received. The taxes due are the installments for county and state taxes for 1924 as well as poll tax. The tax must be paid during January to avoid a penalty of 10 per cent, which the law prescribes and which the tax collector cannot avoid adding.

Poll tax is $1.75 and must be paid before the end of January if the voter desires to obtain a receipt on which to vote during the year 1925.

BANKERS WARN business not to overstep itself just because times are getting good again. Here is William E. Knox, New York, president of the American Bankers Association.

WORTHAM TAKES THIRD PLACE IN UNITED STATES

With more than 200 wells drilling in the Wortham area, the filed promises to have that many completions during the month of January. The potential yield of the field today is crowding the 100,000 barrels daily mark, giving it first position in Texas producing districts and at least third if not second place in the United States. It is exceeded only by Bakersfied, California, and possibly by Tonkawa.

Pipe line companies are daking every effort possible to get men to enable them to complete their plans to take care of the peak when it comes. Several pipe lines are advertising daily for men in the classified advertisement column of The Mexia Daily News.

Oil journals are now admitting that the estimate of the Wortham field as being good for 60,000,000 barrels has not been exaggerated.

The field represents not only a record in speed in drilling but also in the volume of flush production for each well that has come in. None of the other Mexia fault fields showed such a volume of crude with so few wells in, there now being less than 25 producers in the district.

The gathering capacity of the seven pipe line companies serving Wortham has been estimated at 224,000 barrels daily with a discharge capacity of 193,000 barrels daily.

The Humble Company has started its tank car shipment from the Powell field, making room for 20,000 barrels daily of Wortham oil.

The Rio Gravo Oil Company and the Clayton Oil and Refining Company are understood to be the only companies in the field without lines in the market for Wortham crude. The Clayton Oil and Refining Company has a contract with the Rio Bravo Company to take 2500 barrels daily by tank car; another 2500 barrels daily will be taken by the Portable Refinery being set up North of Wortham.

In addition to these provisions to take care of the peak, storage is being built in the fields to take care of the situation.

There has been a revision in the tank program. The Pure Oil Co. will erect eight 55,000-bbl. tanks at its Mexia tankfarm; the Boyd Oil Co. has one 55 up and one building in its 50-tank program. E. L. Smith will build five 55s; the Sun Oil Co. four 55s, with steel now on the ground for two of these; Atlantic Oil Producing Co., five 55s on its Mexia tank farm; Simms Oil Co., five 55s at Mexia; the Humble Oil & Refining Co., 20 80,000-bbl. tanks on a new tank farm 1 mile northwest of Wortham.

54,703 BALES IN DECEMBER 13 ACCORDING TO GINS

The cotton crop of Limestone County, practically all in, totals approximately 55,000 bales. This is in excess of any year since the oil boom and compares favorably with the years immediately preceding the discovery of oil, by which many hundred acres, were abandoned as cotton fields.

According to Tom L. Cox, Special Agent for the Bureau of Census of the Department of Commerce.

There were 54,703 bales of cotton ginned in Limestone County, from the crop of 1921 prior to Dec. 13th., 1924, as compared with 48,949 bales to the same date last year.

DEATH OF VETERAN SHOCKS MEXIA FRIENDS

The death of Colonel L. V. Greer in Dallas early this week was a shock to his friends in Mexia. Quite a number of local citizens have known him for years. He was with the legal department of the Magnolia Company and was a business visitor here a short while before the operation which occurred just before his death. He was a student in the law department of the University of Texas when quite a few Mexia exstudents were in school there. A graduate of West Point and Leon Springs Officers Training School, veterans of the world war in Mexia also met him in that connection.

LIGHT RAINFALL.

Rain falling for a 24 hour period ending at 8 a. m. Wednesday was practically nothing, the official recording gate registering .05 of an inch. The highest point of the mercury for the same period was 54 and the lowest 38 or well above freezing.

Elks Club To Stage Benefit Wrestling

Under the auspices of the B. P. O. Elks charity fund a wrestling match featuring Henry Stoeff, former wrestling instructor of the Wisconsin University, and an opponent to be selected, is to be staged at the Elks' Club within a week or 10 days.

Taking advantage of the visit here of the wrestler, a committee of the Elks Club have arranged a match, which is expected to attract unusual attention.

Stoeff is seeking a match, when a date will be arranged. The match will be on a bisis of a finish bout.

Repairs and a new coat of paint have made the Southern Pacific railroad station at Groesbeck take the appearance of a new one. A crew of carpenters and painters have been at work on the station for some time but have practically completed their work.

J. M. McClasky was a business visitor to Groesbeck Saturday.

ONLY TWO of all the women known to Norman Selby (Kid McCoy) came to his defense when he was on trial in Los Angeles for the murder of Mrs. Theresa Mors. Here is shown one of them, Dagmar Dahlgren, McCoy's eighth wife.

NEW YORK SOCIETY IS entertaining Baroness Jeane d'Etrielles, one of the prettiest of the many female notables, arriving for winter visits.

FRENCH MINISTER WANTS TO POOL FOR ALLIED DEBTS

PARIS, Dec. 31.—Clementhal has proposed that the principles of the Dawes plan be applied to funding the French war debt. He called at the American embassy to explain the attitude of France to Ambassador Herrick.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—More diplomatic assurance from France that she means to pay the four billion debt to America rather than a definite refunding agreement was expected to be the result of efforts of the administration spokesmen to get action from France.

The attempt of France to force a reduction of the debt through pooling the inter-allied debts is suggested by Finance Minister Clemental is expected to increase hostile American sentiment.

Plan Gigantic Electric Plant Near Trinidad

[By United Press]

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—Plans for construction of a gigantic generating plant on the East banks of Trinity river, near Trinidad, Texas, were under consideration by officials of the Texas Power and Light Company here today.

Work will begin in 60 days, officials said. The unit plan will be followed. The initial installation consisting of a 20,000 kilowatt plant. Ultimate capacity of the plant will be 150,000 kilowatts.

U. S. Cities Show Lower Death Rate

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. — The death rate in the United States dropped 4 per cent in 1924, the fatality records in sixty one cities show. Cities with population of 27,000,000 reported mortality rate of 125 to each 10,000, compared with 130 last year.

LICENSE ACCOUNTANTS

WACO, Dec. 31.—The State board of Public Accountants, meeting here adjourned today after granting licenses to 27 out of a class of 70 applicants.

WEATHER BENFIT TO FARMS MANY PLAN HEAVIER COTTON

Rain and cold weather for the past few days may nave been disagreeable to oil workers and others but for the farmer the weather was acceptable. Farmers of this district their "middle busting" of cotton land well under way, greeted the rain with pleasure for some of the land badly needed the season before preparation for cotton and corn.

Freezing weather is always beneficial to the men who make their living from the land, for they claim that a good crop always follows a cold winter. Clods produced by the dry weather are broken by the freezing.

Farmers of Limestone and Freestone county, encouraged by several seasons of good cotton prices, are planning the planting of more acreage in cotton. It is generally believed. While Limestone county produced more cotton this year than the year before, Freestone fell slightly below the former year.

While reports from various districts indicate loss of sheep and other animals during the Christmas freeze few losses were encountered in this district.

Wood chopping, rabbit hunting and such winter pastimes are indulged in now by the agricultral men of the county, although some are taking advantage of the season to select their corn seed, sharpen their tools and prepare generally for the spring.

The oats of the western part of the county is reported as in good condition. Most of the oats planted showed a good stand, although the dry weather damaged it some. The grain does not grow in cold weather but had not damaged the crop. The wet weather will start the grain to growing when warmer weather comes.

Continue Parsons Trial until March

Continuance of the trial of J. F. Persons, charged with murder in connection with the death of Dr. J. O. Holton, Prairie Hill, last April, was agreed upon in Judge A. M. Blackmon's seventy-seventh district court Monday at the request of the defense.

The case went over to the March term of court and the special venire of jurymen called excused.

COMMISSIONER JOHN KENNEDY BUYS HOME

County Commissioner John M. Kennedy has invested in Mexia real estate to the extent of acquiring one of the best Ross Avenue properties available. Mr. Kennedy recently bought the bungalow home of Clay McKinney, known as the Jim Gentry place on South Ross, which he will occupy as his home shortly.

THE WEATHER.

Texas—Cloudy, rain turning to snow Thursday.

RITA WEIMAN, author and playwright, "just simply abhorred marriage," and said so in many of her stories and plays. Undoubtedly she changed her mind. She is seen here with her husband, Maurice Marks, who was her advertising manager.

MRS. EDNA BASSETT of Hollywood, Calif., formerly a prominent Hollywood society woman and a great favorite of the film stars there, has been appointed director of the Near East Relief's [illegible] Organization [illegible]

CONGRESSMAN ON STAND CLAIMS ASKED WIFE TO SHOOT

[By United Press]

ALPENA, Mich., Dec. 31.—Twice during the few months they lived together in Wishington, Congressman Frank D. Scott offered a loaded revolver to his wife and told her to shoot him if charges against her are untrue. Scott testified at the divorce trial that Mrs. Scott refused. Scott accusses her of infidelity and reckless waste of money.

Details of "the enormous gambling losses" charged against Scott and Mrs. Scott's cross bill, parties at the Scott apartment that Scott testified were attended by his wife and Captain Sumners(and other parties ttended by high officials in the army and Congress were expected to be bared when Mrs. Scott takes the stand.

Admitting that much of his testimony given against his wife was from information received from Miss Jane Kennedy, his secretary, Scott quoted conversations overheard between Mrs. Scott and friends to substantiate his charges in the late afternoon session yesterday.

"My gambling losses were nominal," Scott testified when questioned regarding "enormous gambling losses," charged in his wife's cross bill. "I never gave a $4,000 check to Representative Allen Moore of Illinois to cover gambling losses."

Names of Willam Wilson, then a Department of Justice agent; Peter McLain, Marion, Ohio, protege of the late President Harding; Congressman Daniel Anthony of Kansas· Thomas Miller, alien property custodian at the time and guy Stanifer, Seattle, appointee in the Veterans Bureau, were brought into the trial as alleged gambling companions of Scott.

Prince Kalanianiola, Hawaii, was also named as one of the Washington group that frequented the "Boars Net" on K street.

Under cross-examination Scott admitted drinking but denied that he had ever been an "excessive" drinker.

EUBANKS BUYS MAIN STREET HOME OF L. E. KOLLMAN

A. Hardy Eubanks, active vice-president of the Farmers State Bank, last Saturday bought the elegant new home property of L. E. Kollman, who recently left Mexia to reside at Hondo, in South Texas. Mr. Kollman came up last week to visit Mexia and transact business, and while here sold the property to Mr. Eubanks. Several other residential properties are expected to change hands immediately after the first of January, while considerable building activity is also in prospect.

Mrs. U. H. Morgan has been a holiday visitor with her father and mother and other relatives in Dallas.

DAVIS' AXE FALLS ON CHANCELLOR UNIVERSITY KANSAS

[By United Press]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 31.—A resolution terming the removal of Chancellor Lindley "an irreparable loss to the educational interests of Kansas," and "a calamity to the whole State," was adopted unanimously at a mass meeting of Kansas University alumni and students here Tuesday.

Speeches lauding the chancellor and condemning the action of Governor Davis in ousting him were wildly applauded and the same acclaim was accoroed the reading of telegrams from all over the country protesting his removal.

Speakers urged that politics be removed from the affairs of the University and that " this be made an everlasting example so institutions of learning can not be made political footballs."

The sentiment of the meeting was that Governor-elect Paulin would reappoint Chancellor Lindley regardless of the hearing Jan. 5, on the temporary restraining order asked by the ousted official.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 31.—With the ousting by Governor Davis of W. P. Lambertson from the board of administration because he refused to vote for the ejection of Chancellor Lindley of Kansas University, all Kansas was wondering where the next gubernatorial ax would fall.

Lambertson, who was asked to resign by the Governor several days ago, was "fired" late yesterday and advised he had told a "bare-faced" lie.

In a letter to Lambertson, notifying him that his services on the board were needed no longer, Governor Davis charged him with double crossing and lack of dependability.

"My request for your resignation was not made because of your vote in the Lindley matter and you know it," the letter stated. "It was because of your double-crossing and lack of dependability that I had concluded to ask you to resign.

"For months you had been insisting to me and other members of the board that Chancellor Lindley should be dismissed because of his attitude toward the board and its control. You even offered to make the motion that the board dismiss him summarily from the chancellorship."

The Governor's letter scathingly rebuked Lambertson for his attitude in the Lindley matter and in other matters pertaining to his duties on the board, adding that "when you say you refused to vote to oust Chancellor Lindley because of the insufficiency of the charges, you, in plain American language, tell a bare-faced lie."

Simmons 6 of The Humphreys Boyd Company Added

The Simmons number 6 of the Humphreys Boyd Oil Company was completed at 5:30 Tuesday, making what was termed a 5,000 barrel well.

This company now has five producers on this famous gusher lease, the number 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6. It also has the N. B. Boyd 1, discovery well, giving the company six producers and a lead in daily yield.

Several more wells have cemented and will drill in within the next few days.

Mrs. Rush Allison has returned to her home in Abilene, following her visit here during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McLendon. Mr. Allison returned last Sunday.

Mrs. T. E. Brown and son, Tom, Jr., have returned to their home in Houston, after several days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Denning.

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Fourth District Road Bonds Sell For $27,000 Premium

SALE IS MADE TWO WEEKS AFTER THE ELECTION

Bonds of the Fourth District, Limestone county, recently voted in the amount of $1,300,000 were Tuesday sold by the commissioners court to C. Edgar Honnold, Oklahoma City bond broker, for par, accrued interest and $27,000, in a field of 20 bids submitted.

The bid on the bonds, but two weeks from the date of the vote of approval in the district, is believed to constitute a record for speed and County Commissioner John Kennedy of this district, highly pleased with the result of the election and the sale, says that dirt should be moving for the new roads within 90 days.

The bonds bear 5½ per cent interest. They are to be printed and turned over to the bond buyers as soon as the necessary legal procedure can be carried out.

The bid of Honnold was $10,000 higher than the next highest bidder. Banks of Dallas, Fort Worth and Houston as well as Mexia submitted proposal for the issue. The action was taken Tuesday afternoon at the session of the commissioners' court at Groesbeck.

Mr. Kennedy says that the roads are to be built as soon as possible, likely not waiting for Federal and State aid. The organization arrangements the State and Federal aid can be added as soon as it is available, not holding up the expenditure of the district bond money for the other funds.

Seventy miles of roads out of Mexia are to be built with the money received. The premium alone will build a mile of concrete pavement. The state and Federal funds will bring the money to be spent to a much larger sum.

On December 11 just two weeks before the bond sale, the voters of the district overwhelmingly approved the issue for road roads.

Through dispatches sent out from the Mexia Daily News a large number of financial houses were advised of the sale date of the bonds, resulting in the heavy bidding. The premium was higher than was expected and the new court house halls were filled with bond buyers and financial men on Tuesday afternoon awaiting the verdict of the court.

With this money and state and Federal funds which go with it the city of Mexia will have radiating from it the best net work of roads of any city of its size in the state. Every road is to be improved.

Priests In Bucket Brigade Fight Fire

[By United Press]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Sticking at their posts in a bucket brigade until firemen relieved them, a score of priests braved the flame swept administration building of Fordham University and saved the blessed sacrament, valuable library treasures and records.

Chinese Bandits Rob Americans

[By United Press]

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Seven Americans together with a car full of passengers, were robbed by armed Chinese bandits who boarded a train between Pekin and Tien Tsin, according to a Central News dispatch from the latter city today. The Americans gave up $10,000 among them.

A car of British soldiers on the train remained in ignorance of the holp-up.

COMMUNITY IN WATCH PARTY AT CHURCH TONIGHT

Scores of speakers and an interesting program are scheduled for Wednesday evening at the First Baptist Church, when a community Watch Service will be held to bid farewell to 1924 and welcome 1925.

The services will begin at 10 p. m. and last until after the new year. Mayor Ernest Watson, Garland Adair J. K. Hughes, Rev. Joe Jeffers and others are to speak.

"What about the next year for Mexia, personally, religiously, morally, commercially and socially," will be the subject or subjects discussed. Music has been prepared for the occasion.

ROTARIAN NOT TO MEET UNTIL JANUARY EIGHTH

Owing to the fact that Thursday is a legal holiday, Secretary J. W. Elliott of the Mexia Rotary club, announces that there will be no meeting of Rotary, at noon tomorrow. The next meeting will be at noon, January 8, in the basement of the First Methodist church where the Rotarians will be served by the Ruth's Missionary Society, which organizations has become so well known here for its service in this connection and for the excellent menus served.

The Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing Co. has stock for five 80,000-bbl. tanks left over from the Powell boom. This steel is at Mexia and is now ready available to the company if it wishes to add to its storage room there. The Sinclair Pipe Line Co. contemplates the laying of an 8-inch loop to the Gulf Coast which would capture 80 miles of line and one pumping unit in each station on the run from Groesbeck south.

News Classified Ads get results.

HIGH OFFICIALS TO BE GREETED BY PRESIDENT THURSDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Ambassadors and ministers replendent in their uniforms of office, Cabinet officials, members of Congress, military and naval officers and thousands of citizens will call at the White House tomorrow to pay their respects to the President at the annual New Year's Day reception.

For more than three hours, from 11 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. the chief executive and Mrs. Coolidge will stand in the Blue Room and greet the countless numbers of visitors ushered through by squads of aides.

Custom demands that those attending be received by the President in the proper manner. First will come the members of the President's Cabinet headed by Secretary of State Hughes, and ending with Secretary of Labor Davis. Following the Cabinet will come the director of the budget bureau, General Lord, who, according to the official list is given a Cabinet status at State functions, and after him the diplomatic corps.

The diplomats will be received in the order of seniority, Ambassador Jusserand of France heading the list. Dr. L. C. Rowe, director of the Pan-American Union, has been accorded a place in line wth the diplomats.

As the visitors approach the President they will be first met by one of his aides whoh will introduce the caller to the President. The caller will then be greeted by Mrs. Coolidge. President and Mrs. Coolidge will receive during the entire function.

City Tax Offices To Open Thursday

To permit citizens to pay monthly water bills and city taxes the offices of the city will remain open Thursday, New Year's Day, Mayor Ernest Watson has announced. A few have paid taxes to get the idea on their expense of the old year, the books having been open for payment for several days.

Employes of the city were greeted with the monthly pay checks Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Jackson and little daughter, Bobby Dale, of Dallas, spend Monday and Tuesday in Mexia with Mr. Jackson's aunt, Mrs. J. M. McClasky, and family.

Wrecked Jap Liner Towed Into Port

[By United Press]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—The Japanese liner Ginco Maru, swept by fire, killing two children and wounding others, is being towed to Manselto, Mexico, today, saved from destruction by her heroic crew.

Too Late to Classify!

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ONE sleeping room for tow and one housekeeping room, good walks to town and close in, 109 Rusk st. west of Sherman, 3 blocks north Post Office. 31X1

South Wortham, Mr. lot owner for next 20 days will build complete: Box house 12x12 $104.00. 2 room Box house 12x16 $136.00. 3 room 12r20 $175.00. Box cot house 16x32 $275.00. Will give estimates on any size job new or old. Chas J. Moore, Patton Hotel, Mexia, Texas., Gen. Builder. 31X1

Boynton Takes Oath As Judge

[By United Press]

WACO, Dec. 31.—Charles A. Boynton took the oath of office here today as federal judge of the Western District of Texas, succeeding the late William R. Smith of El Paso. D. S. Hart of Austin administered the oath. He leaves Waco tomorrow for San Antonio to confer with Judge Duval West and proceed to El Paso Friday.

Removal Notice

We have moved our drug store from our former location corner of Sherman and Commerce Sts., across the street to the Schulz building formerly occupied by the Roseland Confectionery, 117 E. Commerce Street.

In our new location we will have more room and will be in a position to give you prompt and efficient service.

We are also adding to our already large stock and will be prepared to fill all your wants in our line.

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...of the upper ...nder why. I ...lar opinion, bas... ed on economic influence, that has put a ban on the upper berth. Do people shun it for fear of seeming "cheap?" Does any one ever stop to think of the many things in favor of the upper berth? Does he realize that its springs are used only as a bed? And that they are, therefore, more resilient and comfortable than those made to stand the sturdy jumping feet of children and the constant weight of passengers? The upper berth receives no draft of cold air, but gets a general circulation of the fresh air from the openings in the top of the car. But you argue that you like to look out the window in the early morning. How many do, really? A night of uninterrupted sleep, on a comfortable bed, will find you so refreshed that you will want to rise early and dress. And you are rewarded by finding the dressing room empty. You are first at breakfast and find everything hot and the waiters not rushed. Yet, you say, there is the climb up. If you are reducing, it is good exercise. If you are thin, you should not mind the exercise. I was placed in the lower berth by mistake. Tonight I shall go up where I shall find even more comfort than I found in the lower berth last night. I breakfasted at 10. The train had stopped to get oil and water. The train de luxe has no cinders or smut. It burns oil. I looked out the window and remembered that we were soon to cross the Pecos river bridge, the highest railroad bridge in the world. I hurried through my breakfast and traversed the long line of cars to the observation car to see this great wonder of engineering skill. Slowly the long train approached the graceful steel structure and then we looked down 321 feet, where the Pecos river winds, like a narrow ribbon, between great gray rocks that tower in mighty grandeur and awe-inspiring splendor.

SUNSET LIMITED.

Less than a hundred years ago the first railroad was laid that carried passengers westward. What a difference the few intervening years have brought. The first train burned wood that had to be cut along the journey. There was no warmth for winter days and little protection from the heat of summer. Today, nothing is forgotten to make the trip across the country one of pleasure and comfort.

The train de luxe, in truth a "train of light", or more properly speaking, a train of enlightment, is also, if we may mix our French and English, "a train de light." Its business name is the Sunset Limited, so-called because it is limited exclusively to sleeper sections, compartments, and drawing rooms. It adds luxury to comfort with its spacious observation car where one will find all the popular magazines, bound in black leather binders. A desk, equipped with good stationary, suggests a letter to the loved ones at home. In this car are, also, compartments, and a ladies' lounge, much the same as the gathering place men have long enjoyed on trains, to the exclusion and envy of the women. In the lounge, also, is a shower bath that gives refreshment from that "stuffy" feeling a train, however clean, gives one.

The club car is interesting. Here is found the men's lounge where small round tables are fixed to the floor between the facing seats and ash trays and match holders and all the enjoyment to be found in a good cigar. There is a buffet, where soft drinks, sandwiches and cigars may be bought. Here, too, is a fully equipped barber shop and man's shower bath. The barber will press any garment at a nominal charge.

Katy is the maid on the train de luxe. She will cater to any want that can be met with at any beauty parlor, and there is, now, no need of one's ever getting off the train with any feeling of dirt or weariness.

Tonight we leave the Lone Star State and tomorrow will find us in Arizona.

And to me there was never a way more blest
Than the sunset trail to the golden West,
Where the plains stretch far and the hills rise high
To be lost in the mists of the hovering sky.
And I close the doors against toil and care,
or the sunny land, with its balmy air,
Calls me to come and rest and play
Till I follow the trail to the sunset way.

Now we are told: "Cows will eat airplanes," We would not be especially interested in seeing a cow eat an airplane, but we'd enjoy seeing a cow chasing one.

Although 82 years of age, an English worker recently arrived in America to accept an important position in a watch factory; he has spent 70 years in the industry.

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Many good wishes of the season to you, and may Happiness and Prosperity be yours—each day of the coming year.

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A prominent automobile manufacturer is author of the statement that "The difference between a 10-year car and a 1-year car is largely a matter of lubrication". The experience of this manufacturer and his success in the field of automobile engineering place him in a position to speak with authority on this subject.

Everyone, within his experience, knows of cars that have been running for years, and even though they are out-of-date as to lines and body design, their quietness of motor operation and the absence of squeaks and rattles show that they have always been well lubricated and well cared for.

On the other hand, you know of hundreds of cars that, even though they have been in service but a few years and have covered comparatively few miles, are afflicted with groans and squeaks; the motor knocks and labors and the gears clash and grind—and they are just about ready for the junk pile. *Their owners have never considered lubrication as important.*

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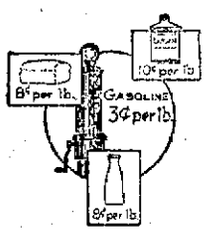

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"For Mexia. I WILL"

TO THE PASSING YEARS

Beyond the earth's green cape and verdant isles
Hesperian sets, my signal to depart.
Be strong, live happy and love, but first of all
Him whom to love is to obey, and keep
His great command; take heed lest passion sway
Thy judgment to do aught which else free will
Would not admit. . . .
Go heavenly guest, ethereal messenger,
Sent from whose sovereign goodness I adore.
Gentle to me and affable hast been
Thy condescension, and shall be honored ever
With grateful memory; thou to mankind
Be good and friendly still, and oft return.
—Milton's Paradise Lost.

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A GREAT MAN IN A MATCHLESS ERA

The oil fields of East Central Texas, of which Mexia is the logical and geographical center and of which Colonel A. E. Humphreys of Denver and of Mexia is the discoverer have produced a volume of oil in the past four years which almost staggers the imagination of the average mind of the southwest. Think of it, during this brief period, the district within 35 miles Northeast and seven miles Southwest of here has yielded around 140,000,000 barrels of oil which sold for at least $175,000,000. Thrugh this gigantic development hundreds of thousands have been made happier, the entire section enriched and Texas lifted to a higher place as a state of mighty resources and of fabulous wealth. Through this spectacularly amassed fortune, the coffers of the Texas treasury have been filled, good roads have been built, better schools provided for, more magnificent churches erected and happiness and prosperity has been generally diffused over a wide area. Through this golden opportunity, Mexia has become famed throughout the world as one of the most important oil centers of the world, this municipality being the center and in the very heart of the richest spot on earth. It is not a matter of wonder that citizens visit other places and return here with the statement that Mexia is the best city in the southwest, if not in all the United States, for its size. It is not a matter of wonderment that citizens are pourin here by the scores daily, in search of wealth or seeking to make a living while establishing their homes and themselves in trade, profession or business here. It is not a matter of wonder that former Governor O. B. Colquitt recently said of the discoverer of this empire or ocean of oil that he had contributed more to the wealth of Texas than any ten men in it. Looking back over the past, the achievement so staggering in retrospect and so promising for the future, leads Mexia citizens to acclaim Colonel A. E. Humphreys as one of the great men of the nation in an era of mighty achievements and mighty men. And who knows but that at the end of another four years, this first period of development will but bring to the lips of men the expression that the "half has never yet been told"?

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A STURDY OLD AMERICAN SHIP

The year 1924 today passes out into that great Ocean of Time, fed by the numberless streams of countless centuries. Above many a perilous rock and swirled in many a dangerous shoal may be seen the wrecks of many a privateer who went out to sea without receiving his commission from Him whom the storms obey when He speaks "Peace be still." Ten thousand ships, made by earth's master builders, have failed to reach their ports in 1924 and their fate is to be repeated in 1925. For there never was a time when so many human crafts were upon the waters, endeavoring to outride the storms. Church life on the sea today is being disturbed by the clash of fundamentalists with modernists. Ships anchored with balls of iron, wrough in the theological forges of holy councils commissioned in the beginning of the centuries to do the world's thinking and to keep the world's conscience are pitted against others weighted down to the load water line with human philosophy, philosophy superficial, philosophy profound, philosophy gay and philosophy grave—all leaky crafts, ondly built, badly manned and deplorably unreleiable even on a peaceful sea. Our national life is jeopardized by a fleet of Isms and Schisms. With heavy guns, these are booming and battering away, seeking to break down the faith of the fathers who believed in a free and enlightened government,—a fortress impregnable during a marvelous past in this matchless land of ours. As individuals, and as a nation, in 1925, let every American remember that there is one ship and only one, which can carry us over the invisible and treacherous main; that is "The Old Ship of Zion" which escorted the Plymouth fathers and the founders of this continent to the shores of Christian America.

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McINTOSH KNOWS THE GAME

Mexia sees a successful year ahead of the Texas Baseball Association. Baseball leagues have developed in recent years into business institutions as well as clubs offering sport to an increasing army. It is, therefore, more essential now than ever to have officials at the head of associations providing this national business and game who can appreciate the business perplexities to be confronted as well as the kind of game that can be maintained soundly and satisfactorily, assuring the maximum pleasure to the patronizing public. J. G. McIntosh, a Mexia citizen, has been selected as President of the Texas Association. Though he would not admit having the qualifications herein suggested, the cities of the circuit have utmost confidence in his ability, in his love for the game, in his knowledge of the game and in his loyalty to the leaue. Mexia baseball patrons are elated and those in other cities of the association are pleased because of his election and his acceptance of the trust. He is sure to ive the public more than a dollar's worth of baseball for every dollar expended and that is what will have to be done in 1925, if the league is to come out of the hole that it got in last year, the result of the Association being dominated by clubs rather than business men and officials.

Realty Transfers

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J. K. Stroud and wife, to G. A. Pearce, conveyance of lien, 205 acres of land out of the N. Benevides H. D. Martinez and the R. H. Beale survey.

W. F. Dewitt and wife, Margaret R. Dewitt, to H. L. Hughes, warranty deed being lot 7 in blk 11, in West addition of the town of Coolidge.

J. K. Stroud and wife to G. A. Pearce conveyance of lien, 205 acres of land out of N. Benevides, H. D. Martinez and the R. H. Beale survey.

J. K. Stroud and wife, to H. A. Pearce, conveyance of lien, being 205 acres of land out of the N. Benevides and H. D. Martinez, and R. H. Beale survey.

J. K. Stroud and wife to G. A. Pearce, warranty deed, being 205 acres of land out of the N. Benevides, H. D. Martinez and R. H. Beale surveys, 1-2 minerals reserved.

J. K. Stroud and wife, to G. A. Pearce, warranty deed.

DEEDS.

Ben D. Simon to S. H. Flake, lot 5, block 86, city of Mexia.

T. P. Vines and wife, to Troy D. McElroy and wife, lot 4, block 4, in Manning place, city of Mexia.

J. C. Nelson and wife to Eliza Story being west half of 10 acres, W. W. Boren survey.

Nellie V. Miller to N. T. Stubbs undivided one third interest in and to 18½ acres L. Norvelle survey.

ROYALTY CONTRACTS AND MINERAL DEEDS.

Fred C. Oliver to Sam Suravitk, 1-128 interest in and to 1st tr, part of the R. H. Beale survey of 57 acres, 2nd tr part of the S. H. Bates survey being 50 acres.

T. H. Thompson Jr., and wife, to J. O. Jones, 1-80 interest in and to 1st tr. part of the R. H. Beale survey, 57 ac 2nd tr 27½ acres of the S. H. Bates survey.

O. D. Hallum and wife, to T. J. Johnson, W. L. Sanders, J. G. Gamel, W. J. Bains, Levi Drinkard, Will Prichard, Chas. Schwartz, Jack Schwartz, Chas. Thorn, J. J. Glover, 2 parts W. A. Illey 2 parts, Harve Cook, 2 parts, J. L. Thompson, Joe Lusk, Hugh Moore, Carl Hill, J. A. Allbright.

1-128 interest in and to 50 acres out of the west side of 200 acre tract, known as the old Howell tract, John Boyd survey.

T. W. Robinson and wife to J. C. Yancy, W. A. Iley, Seth Prichard, Chas. Schwartz, Jack Schwartz, Douglas Hancock, L. A. Suttle, W. B. Burleson, C. E. Prince, J. G. Gamel, G. C. Wallace, Ed Blakely, W. L. Sanders, Henry Wofford, J. A. Allbright, W. A. Lamb, R. L. Vickers, Jno. Prichard, Jay Robbins, R. L. Vickers.

1-64 interest in and to 25 acres, west side of 65 acre, T. W. Robinson tract, John Boyd survey.

Transfer of lien and assignment of Lien.

Pearson & Taft to Continental Assurance Co.

70.76 acres of land P. Varela; W. J. Ward land.

Chas. Bluemeno to The Federal Land Bank of Houston, 197 acres, S. Allbright survey, J. S. Gloom land.

Continental Life Ins. Co. to Reynolds Mortgage Co., 197 acres, S. Allbright survey, J. S. Gloom land.

Reynolds Mortgage Co., to The Federal Land Bank of Houston 197.65 acres of the S. Allbright survey, J. S. Groom survey.

Release:

Reynolds Mortgage Co., Texas State Bank of Fort Worth to J. S. Gloom and wife, 197.65 acres of the S. Allbright survey.

J. C. ....elson to Eliza Story 10 acres of the W. W. Boren league, being west half.

H. & T. C. SCHEDULE.

North Bound.

No. 19	Denson-Ft.W.	3:55 a. m.
No. 17	Dallas-Ft.W.	4:30 a. m.
No. 37	Dallas-Ft.W.	4:59 a. m.
No. 31	Dallas	1:30 p. m.
No. 15	Dallas-Ft.W.	3:31 p. m.
No. 33	Ennis	7:10 p. m.

South Bound.

No. 20	Houston	12:16 a. m.
No. 38	Austin-SA	12:21 a. m.
No. 18	Houston	1:37 a. m.
No. 34	From Ennis-Stp	7:15 a. m.
No. 32	From Dallas-Stp	10:08 a. m.
No. 16	Houstn-SA	11:55 a. m.

Cutt-Off.

345	From Navasota-stp	1:47 p. m.
346	For Navasota-Lv	7:00 a. m.

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North Bound.

No. 8 ..... 2:31 P. M.

South Bound.

No. 7 ..... 12:24 P. M.

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"MAGNOLIA LADY" BRIDE OF ACTOR

RALPH FORBES & RUTH CHATTERTON

Despite many denials, Ruth Chatterton, stage star, has married Ralph Forbes, of England, her leading man in "The Magnolia Lady," according to New York marriage license records. He is twenty-four, four years her junior, the records assert.

TELEPHONE WIRES ARE USED FOR MANY KINDS OF TALKS

During 1924 six separate and different uses of telephone wires have been made.

The wires have been used for local telephone purposes, for long distance conversations, for telegraphing news stories to newspapers, for connecting up the public address system, for connecting sixteen radio stations scattered over the country to broadcast the proceedings at the National Republican and Democratic Conventions, and for sending photographs, fingerprints, cartoons and sketches by telephone.

Less than half a century ago the world was startled when Alexander Graham Bell, through his invention of the telephone, succeeded in sending voice messages over telegraph wires. The art and methods of communication by wire advanced rapidly until not so very long ago means were devised to send both telegraph and telephone messages over the same wires at the same time. However, the developments of 1924 have pushed such starting feats into the background.

NEW YEAR 1925

—May contentment share with prosperity in all your efforts throughout the coming year.

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REMOVAL NOTICE

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We appreciate your during the past year and to come to see us in our

Wishing all a Happy

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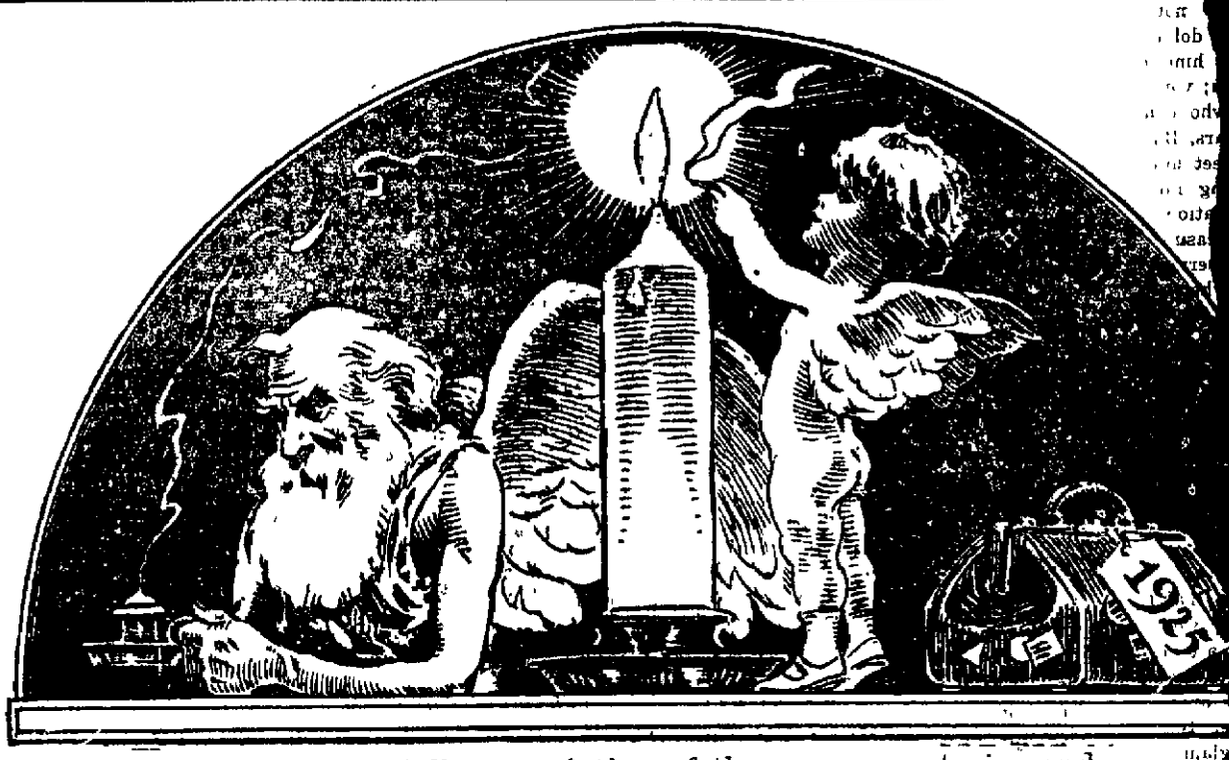

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Shoplifter Sent To Jail; Taught Child The Trade

[International News Service]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Justices in Special Sessions were told that Mrs. Catherine Schezer, twenty-two mother of a three-year-lod child, taught an eleven-year-old girl to become a shoplifter. They then sentenced her to five days in Jefferson Market Prison.

Mrs. Schezer pleaded guilty to stealing trinkets valued at $31.22. Detectives who arrested her informed the Court that the girl, whose name was not disclosed, would pick the articles off the counter and pass them to Mrs. Schezer, who would place them in a bag.

Congress Takes Up Unobjected Bills Tuesday

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Congress met today to consider unobjected bills and continue the postal salaries increase hearing before adjournment for the New Year. The House continued the consideration of the treasury postoffice supply bills.

The Appropriations Committee considered independent offices and District of Columbia appropriation bills.

The Naval Affairs Committee met to consider the Britten resolution, calling on the State Department for information relative to elevation guns.

The Judiciary Committee considered the judges salary bill.

Cannibal Man of Germany Been at It for Ten Years

[By United Press]

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Karl Denke, the "cannibal man" of Muensterberg, who lured victims to his lonely Silesian farm and ate them, has been practicing cannibalism for ten years, police investigation today revealed.

Neighbors of Denke told stories of suspicious meat cooking in cauldrons which the farmer tended himself. Evidence was found of the death of fifteen persons recently, Denke having preserved their clothing.

The "cannibal man" committed suicide when arrested.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR ROAD BUILDING

[By United Press]

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Texas will have approximately $15,000,000 to spend on its designated highways in 1925.

Federal aid of $1,410,169 has been guaranteed irrespective of the acts of the incoming congress. Estimated revenues from automobile license fees are $7,700,000, with another $2,070,000 from the state's share of the gasoline tax.

C. SIMOPOULES is the minister from the youngest European republic, Greece, to the oldest republic of America, the United States. Photo snapped just after his first visit with President Coolidge.

OPENS PURSE IN WIND; $300 IN BILLS FLY AWAY

[International News Service]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—A mischievous wind cost William Wilson of San Francisco, just $300. William was taking out his wallet to buy a paper when the breeze caught three $100 bills and carried them down the street.

William leaped to catch his flying money, but the gust carried it around a corner, and, although he was aided by a crowd of searchers, he was unable to recover the money.

100,000 Women In City Classed As Illiterates

[International News Service]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—There are about 100,000 illiterate women in the city of New York, according to a statement made recently by Mrs. Nathan Straus, Jr., chairman of the committee on immigrant education of the National Council of Jewish Women.

In summing up the work done by the organization during the past year she said 80,000 women and girls had attended classes and clubs conducted by the committee. She added:

"We are proud that many of those enrolled in our English class are grandmothers, anxious to keep abreast of the younger generation."

News Classified Ads get results.

MANY NATIONALITIES ON MINING PAYROLL

[International News Service]

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 30.—According to statistics recently compiled by the Miners Benefit Society of the Charleroi district, Belgium, the 6,284 miners on the rolls were divided among forty-six nationalities.

They included Belgians, Italians, Algerians, Moroccans, Hollanders, Poles, Frenchmen, three Americans, and one representative each of Abyssinia, Guinea, Persia, the Sudan, Canada, Finland, Mexico, Senegal, Turkey and Uruguay.

M. L. Baine, while working on the Manning lease, was injured in a recent boiler explosion.

Jim Kennedy of Wichita Falls is among local visitors today.

A dead hijacker now and then and riding will be safe again.

Trotsky Reported To Be Detained And Incarcerated

[By United Press]

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Daily Telegraph's Moscow correspondent says it is reported that Leon Trotsky, minister of war, has been arrested secretly and incarcerated in the Kremlin.

Latest United Press dispatches direct from Moscow gave no indication that differences of opinion between Trotsky and other soviet leaders were of a nature to lead to the former's arrest. Trotsky has been in poor health for some time and his physicians recently ordered him to a health resort in the Caucasus, where he planned to work on a new book.

IOWA FARMER'S COW EARNS $467 IN YEAR

BEDFORD, Ia., Dec. 30.—What can be done in a year's time from one good cow, in dollars and cents, has been shown by Dee Willman, of Bedford, who owns a milch cow of the Jersey type and breeding.

This Jersey cow in one year and a day made Mr. Willman $467.11. Besides this amount a family of five has been kept in milk and butter. High tests on the old milk runs about 7 per cent and the cow is now approaching the age of ten years.

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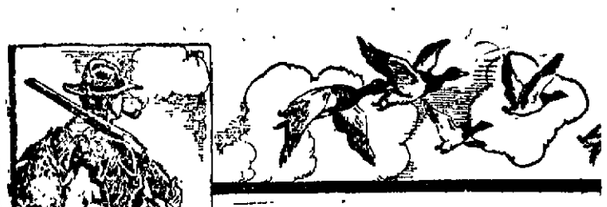

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Happy New Year

Hope Domestic
—One big lot of 36 inch Hope domestic, 7 yards for $1

Brown Domestic
—One big lot 36 inch brown domestic, 15c yard value, 10 yards for $1

Hose
—One big lot of Misses and Children's Hose, white, black and brown. Values up to 25c a pair. 8 pairs for $1

Ladies Silk Hose
—One big additional lot of ladies silk hose, $1.50 to $2.50 values One pair for $1

Pillow Cases
—One big lot of pillow cases, 35c values, 4 for $1

Ladies Blouses
—One big lot ladies blouses, silk and cotton at One Half Price.

Ladies House Dresses
—One big lot ladies House Dresses, up to $1.95 values $1

—One big lot ladies Edwin Clapp oxfords, $12.95 per pair Dollar Day sale $5.95

French Gingham
—One big lot 32 inch French gingham 65c and 50c values, 3 yards for $1

Men's & Boys' Shirts
—One lot madras for men's and boys' shirts, 50c yard values, 3 yards for $1

Silk Underwear
—All ladies Silk Underwear reduced 33 1-3 per cent.

Bleached Domestic
—One lot 36 inch bleached domestic, 15c yard value, Dollar Day 10 yards for $1

Union Suits
—One lot men's heavy knit, ankle length union suits, Dollar Day per suit $1

Men's Lisle Sox
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Dying Year Notable in The Political History of the U.S.

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. — Of many epochs it is said that they "came in like a lion and went out like a lamb," but history records few that are more faithfully so characterized than the political and legislative year 1924 just drawing to a close.

The year dawned with a sensational series of revelations of alleged graft and corruption in the federal government that shook the nation. It is going out with the investigations a vague memory, a conservative President in the White House and the Secretary of the Treasury barking back to the days of '96.

The Senate investigations and the return of President Coolidge to the White House for four years in a three-cornered election were unquestionably the outstanding political events of the year. The fields of legislative and executive accomplishment were marked by further tax reduction and another slice from the public debt.

Congress was in session from the beginning of January to the 7th of June, mainly engrossed with the investigations, with feverish assaults on cabinet officers, with reducing taxes, passing the bonus, enacting restrictive legislation barring Japanese and generally keep the country in a turmoil. It returned on December 3, a chastened body, the insurgent Republicans largely defeated, with an emasculated legislative program, designed only to keep it busy until its constitutional demise on March 4 next.

No country ever Congress adjourned for the summer than the quadrennial Presidential was ushered in with a bang. Less than a week after adjournment, Calvin Coolidge, of Vermont was acclaimed the nominee of the Republican party.

General Charles G. Dawes, of Chicago, was named as his running mate.

The Democrats, intent upon capitalizing the unrest and discontent incident to the revelations of official corruption under the Republican administration, went into convention in New York early in July, full of hope.

They emerged 10 days later, after 103 ballots in the most turbulent political convention in history, torn and bleeding from bitter religious quarrels and factional disputes between Governor Al Smith of New York, and William G. McAdoo, with a candidate of sterling worth, according to his political foes as well as his friends—John W. Davis of West Virginia—but with a party divided and scant chance of coming through the victors. Governor Charles Bryan of Nebraska was the Democratic Vice-presidential nominee.

Meanwhile, Senator Robert M. La Follette laid plans for his own campaign. On July 4, at Cleveland, at a convention of the Conference for Progressive Political Action, La Follette was formally acclaimed the leader of American independence and launched himself on the ocean of Presidential politics with Senator Wheeler of Montana, his second-place mate. The American Federation of Labor endorsed the ticket.

Victory for Coolidge

The upshot of the first three-cornered campaign in 12 years was a sweeping victory for Coolidge, who obtained 382 electorial votes, Davis 136, and La Follette 13. Coolidge's popular vote approximated 17,500,000, Davis vote 7,500,000, and La Follette vote 4,500,000.

Undeterred by his defeat, the La Follette people voted just before the year closed to "carry on" and intensify their movement by organizing a third party, and called a convention to take place at Chicago early next year to draw plans for advancing their purpose. Meanwhile, their leader and three of his senatorial supporters in the ranks of the Republican party were read out of that organization.

The Congressional situation thruout the year was dominated by the La Follette progressive group which held the balance of power between the two evenly divided old parties. Throughout the six months of the year that the legislature sat, they were the commanding figures.

They tied up organization of the House while they demanded and got a liberalization of the rigid rules of the House. They extended their power to include sitting in judgment on the measures sponsored by the administration, and, in alliance with the Democrats dictating changes.

The two big investigations of the year were the Teapot Dome inquiry and the Daugherty probe. The former resulted in the elimination of Secretary of the Navy Denby by resignation and his replacement by Curtis Dwight Wilbur of California, and the enforced withdrawal from the cabinet of Attorney-General Daugherty, who was succeeded by Harlan Fiske Stone of New York.

The climax of the Teapot Dome investigation was reached when Senator Thomas J. Walsh, Democrat, of Montana, ferreted out evidence concerning loans made by former Secretary of the Interior Fall, who leased the oil reserves to oil interests who benefited by the leases. Suits were instituted for recovery of the reserves.

Senator Wheeler of Montana was the guiding spirit of the Daugherty inquiry which left the country gasping after a continual outpouring of testimony about alleged corruption in the Department of Justice.

Other investigations undertaken during the hectic spring included those of the Internal Revenue Bureau, which drew a protest from President Coolidge and Secretary Mellon; of the Veterans' Bureau, diploma mills, Texas land frauds, election of Senator Mayfield of Texas, Russian propaganda, the Bok peace award, Shipping Board, aircraft, charges against members of the House, campaign expenditures and other minor probes.

Tax Legislation

The tax bill probably was the outstanding piece of legislation enacted, even overshadowing its companion piece, the soldiers' bonus bill which finally went through providing insurance policies for veterans. Secretary Mellon recommended sharp downward revision of the surtax rates to stimulate late revenue producing investment and head off the flight of capital into tax-exempt securities which states and municipalities continued to issue at the rate of $1,000,000,000 a year, despite criticism by federal officials.

The Democratic Independent coalition in the House balked at Mellon's figures, however, and granted only half the cut asked. The Senate was even more unyielding and they compromised at dropping the maximum surtax rate only 10 per cent, leading President Coolidge to term the bill when he signed it, "unsatisfactory." With all its tax revision, however, the nation's tax burden was cut $150,000,000.

A provision providing for publicity of income tax payments further made the bill distasteful to the President and Mellon. Publication of the lists by newspapers when finally made available in November, caused a great sensation and a demand for repeal of the provision.

Other important legislation passed was the new immigration bill, which based the quota on the 1890 census instead of the 1910 census as at present and cut to quotas from three to two per cent. The feature of the bill absolutely barring Japanese threatened to cause international complications and was put in only after desperate efforts by the President and Secretary Hughes to keep it out. The Child Labor Amendment likewise was passed and sent to the states for ratification.

Some railroad revisionary legislation was undertaken but failed. In the House, a filibuster killed off the Howell-Barkley bill for revision of the railroad labor board. Other rail legislation was discussed only in committees.

Another important battle was over Muscle Shoals. The House adopted the Ford bill. This was reported out by the Senate agriculture committee along with the Norris bill for government ownership. Then after adjournment of Congress for the campaign in June, Ford withdrew his offer and the Senate again took up the matter in December.

No important farm relief-legislation was enacted. The Norris-Sinclair bill to improve foreign markets for agricultural products was defeated in the Senate, and the McNary-Haugen bill was thrown out in the House.

The Senate and House passed the Buorsum pension bill providing for an increase in pensions of Civil and Spanish war veterans, but the President vetoed the measure because it did not provide the means of raising additional revenue to pay the additional expense upon the treasury. The bill failed by one vote to obtain the necessary two-thirds for adoption over the Presidential veto.

The bill increasing salaries of postal employees was adopted by both houses at the first session of the year but vetoed by the President and then harassed the second session.

The bill appropriating $111,000,000 to better the navy was finally adopted.

In Foreign Affairs

No active steps to change America's foreign policies were taken during the year. The Senate refused to act on the Harding-Hughes world court urged by President Coolidge and its major activity in foreign fields was ratifying a series of rum treaties negotiated by Secretary Hughes with maritime nations to facilitate the American war against rum runners.

President Coolidge came out early in the year with a proposal to hold a second Washington arms conference and repeatedly spoke of it there after until the League of Nations proposed to hold an arms conference, when he became silent. It is probable, however, that the President will renew his proposals.

The State Department underwent a revision of system as to personnel with the enactment of the Rogers bill consolidating the diplomatic and consular services. Secretary Hughes completed a series of treaties with Allied nations to safeguard American rights in territories mandated them by the League of Natons. An embarrassing incident arising out of the murder of Vice-Consul Robert W. Imbrie at Teheran, Persia, was settled by the payment of $60,000 indemnity by Persia.

The successful flight of army aviators around the world and the Defense Test were the two outstanding events in the military field. Three out of four planes leaving California in the middle of March circumnavigated the globe, flying east to west, arriving back in California in September.

The Defense Test, planned as a tribute to General Pershing who retired from active service in the army on September 12, mobilized the manpower of the nation in a test emergency, according to plans drafted by Pershing for a citizen army. Though not a complete success, army officials expressed satisfaction.

The navy was one of the chief topics of discussion and controversy throughout the year, because of the alleged deterioration of its material and its consequent falling off from the 5-5-3 ratio. A paper dispute with Great Britain over the right of this country under the arms treaty to raise the elevation of its guns, still unsettled, likewise caused commotion. As the year closed, Congress made available funds to modernize its motive power, and provide six new scout cruisers. It likewise instituted an investigation to learn the cause of the Navy's alleged deterioration.

Acquisition of two new dirigibles was another naval event. The Shenandoah, built in this country, was put into service, and made many trips over the country, one from coast to coast, in experimental work. Another giant gasbag, the ZR-3, or Los Angeles, was obtained from Germany as a war prize, being delivered after a thrilling trans-Atlantic flight.

President Coolidge's intervention to obtain an exhaustive study of the relative importance of aircraft and battleships in naval warfare featured the navy's year. Because of the uncertain status of the situation, appropriations for the navy were slightly cut, pending conclusions from the study.

The Public Debt.

The Treasury Department continued to shave the public debt and place the short-term issues on a sounder basis. Nearly 1 billion dollars was cut from the debt, with resultant cuts in interest requirements. A huge issue of 30-year four per cent bonds was put on the market at the end of the year, $200,000,000 worth being sold for cash, and another $1,000,000,000 being issued in exchange for Third Liberty bonds and other maturing issues.

A survey of irrigation and reclamation policies of the government was one of the chief events of the Interior Department's year. Recommendations for putting reclamation on a sounder basis were embodied in a bill which was passed by Congress.

The continuous day and night coast to coast air-mail service was inaugurated by the Post Office Department during the year and met with great favor, promising to become an established adjunct of the postal service. It delivers mail from one coast to another in less than 36 hours, compared to 96 by train.

Death struck hard into officialdom in 1924. Woodrow Wilson, war time President, died in Washington on February 3. His chief opponent, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, survived him only nine months, dying at his home in Nahant, Mass., in November. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace died in Washington in October, being succeeded by Howard Gore of West Virginia. The President's own son, Calvin, Jr., died of blood poisoning in July. Senator Le Baron B. Colt, of Rhode Island, and Frank Brandegee of Connecticut, likewise were removed by death, the latter a suicide. In the House, four members died, Representatives Dupre, Louisiana; Little, Kansas; Mudd, Maryland and Greene, Massachusetts, the latter after 26 years service. Another tragic death was that of Mrs. Florence Harding, widow of President Harding.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, died Dec. 13, at San Antonio, Texas. He had gone to Mexico City after the El Paso convention of the A. F. of L. The altitude did not agree with Gompers and he was taken ill. He was hurried out of Mexico to a lower altitude, but was taken from the train at San Antonio and died there. He was in his 75th year and had been at the head of the A. F. of L. since its organization in 1881.

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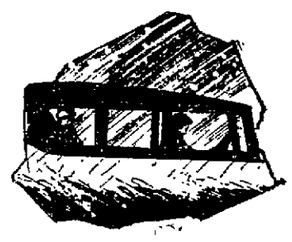

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SECOND TRIAL OF TESTERMAN TO OPEN MONDAY IN 77TH

Trial of C. H. Testerman on a charge of murder in connection with the death of Jim Fife nearly a year ago will start in the 77th district court at Groesbeck Monday.

A special venire of 100 men have called from which to select a jury to hear the case. The third trial of Testerman in September resulted in a hung jury.

An array of attorneys are pitted against each other in the case including some of the best legal talent of the district. In the defense of Testerman are J. L. Bradley of Groesbeck and Lud Williams of Waco and A. B. Reynolds of Mexia while District Attorney James Kimball, County Attorney Scott Reed, Assistant County Attorney Curl Cannon will represent the state with Kennedy and Little, law firm, as special prosecutors.

The case attracted wide attention at its first trial and hnd hundreds of spectator are expected in Judge A. M. Blackman's court when the trial opens. The first day at least will be spent in an effort to select a jury of 12 men. A long list of witnesses have been called to testify in the case.

Testerman is well known in the county and Little, who was a neighbor of Testerman, was likewise well known.

IGNACIO ZULOAGO, Spanish painter, whose canvases are being exhibited in this country, photographed upon his arrival in New York on the S. S. Majestic.

Manahan Named To Succeed Willis As Dep'y Sheriff Here

T. L. Manahan deputy sheriff, will succeed M. P. Willis in charge of the Mexia branch of the sheriff's office on January 1, according to an announcement of Whit Popejoy, sheriff.

Mr. Willis has resigned the office to take the place of constable, to which he was elected in the fall election.

Mr. Manahan, an officer of years of experience, has been a deputy in the office assisting Mr. Willis in the work here. Another deputy to assist Mr. Manahan is to be named by the sheriff.

Deputy Sheriff Manahan will have an office in the city hall near the new justice of the peace rooms. He says his policy will be to continue the work to the best of his ability with friends to all.

W. B. Dandrum has returned from Little Rock where he spent the holiday. Mrs. Dandrum is remaining over for an extended visit.

W. B. Dandrum was a Corsicana business visitor Wednesday.

First Assistant Postmaster Gen'l Told of Situation

In line with its policy to serve the public and to help the community become bigger and better, The Mexia Daily News recently communicated with the Third Assistant Postmaster General in regard to the menacing conditions of local postal building facilities.

The following reply has been received:

"The Third Assistant Postmaster General has referred to this Bureau your telegram of the 22nd instant, relative to the conditions at the Mexia post office."

The postmaster has been directed to submit an immediate report in this regard, and appropriate action will be taken as soon as his reply is received."

Signed John H. Bartlett,
First Assistant Postmaster General,
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Phone 122

Four Thousand To Get Car Licenses In Limestone Co.

With but two days left to pay automobile license tax at the county tax collector's office but little more than one third of the automobiles of the county have been re-registered, according to a statement late Tuesday by W. A. Robbins, tax collector.

Mr. Robbins says that but 2500 licenses have been issued, while the number of automobiles in the county is estimated at 7,000. The new plates must be displayed on all automobiles driven after January 1, or the driver is subject to arrest.

Hundreds of applications are being made by mail and the tax collector promises despatch in handling these tax payers. A supply of applications blanks have been furnished the Mexia Daily News, which can be had by any person calling at the newspaper office.

Mr. Robbins suggests that he is ready to send a deputy to Mexia to assist motorists in filling in their application blanks if such is desired here, but cannot authorize a deputy to issue the plates here, due to rules of the highway department.

Officers of the law are expected to start enforcing the law with regard to license plates about 10 days after the first, and they are authorized to start on the first of the month.

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Sarah Grand, novelist, has again agreed to act as mayor of the English city of Bath during the ensuing year.

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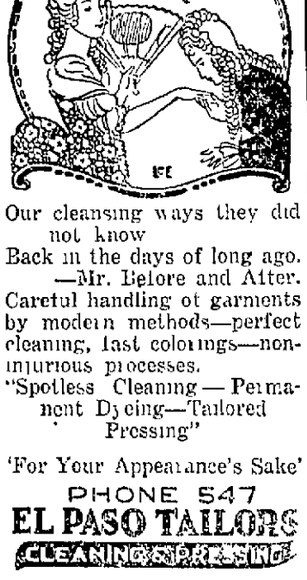

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Mexia Oil Operator Sends Generous Chk to Paul Quinn Col.

WACO, Dec., 31.—Santa Claus, that is so generous with his gifts at the Yuletide season, did not overlook Paul Quinn college of Waco this year.

On Christmas morning there came to W. D. Cain, one of the factors in the success that has been achieved by Paul Quinn, a check from J. K. Hughes, big oil operator of Mexia. The amount of the check is said to be the largest individual contribution ever received by Paul Quinn.

Last summer the Paul Quinn Choral club visited Mexia, with Cain in charge. They sang at the home of Mr. Hughes, for the pleasure of that gentleman, his family and a few friends, and they were given a generous collection at that time. Mr. Hughes did not forget the club, or the needs of the college, hence his gracious remembrance.

The money will be utilized in the construction of a sidewalk on the campus, and the name of Mrs. Hughes, wife of the generous donor, will be inscribed on the concrete steps.

"PETER PAN", NEW PARAMOUNT FILM FEATURES A-1 CAST

For over half a year, the quest for a player to portray the title role in the Paramount film version of "Peter Pan" excited universal interest. Suggestions for the part poured into the Paramount studio from the four winds.

Seventeen year old Betty Bronson finally won the role, selected by James M. Barrie, the author, himself in a competition with some one hundred aspirants for this much coveted dramatic prize. Among them were some of the world's greatest artists. According to Barrie, pretty Miss Bronson is the ideal "Peter I

Ernest Torrence, the scout of "The Covered Wagon," and Lois Wilson's ranch foreman in "North of 36," is cast as Captain Hook, the pirate chief. Virginia Brown Faire is cast as the little fairy, Tinker Bell. Cyril Chadwick is Mr. Darling and Anna May Wong portrays the Indian girl, Tiger Lily. All the aforementioned players appear in featured roles in the cast.

Wendy, the idea "Peter Pan" perhaps the most important role in the production, is played by Mary Brian. It is her first motion picture role and one of the finest portrayals of the season. Little Jack Murphy and de Lacey are cast as Wen- , Jr., and Michael Darling. Esther Ralston plays Mrs. , of course, we to forget Nana, the dog-nurse. Gavin Ali gives a fine pantomimic performance in this part.

"Peter Pan," which opens a three day's run next Monday at the National Theatre was adapted for the screen by Willis Goldbeck.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Mexia deems it advisable to issue bonds of the said City for the purpose hereinafter mentioned:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, that an election be held on the 27th day of January 1925, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

"Shall the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Mexia, Texas, in the sum of Forty Thousand ($40,000.00) Dollars to become due and payable serially as follows: towit: One thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, 1926, and One Thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, of each year thereafter unto and including the year 1966, and bearing interest at the rate of 5½ per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax on all the taxable property within said City sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds, and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the city of Mexia, Texas, under and by virtue of Chapter 1, Title 28, R. S. 1911, and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas."

The said election shall be held at the City Hall, in the City of Mexia, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, to-wit:

JERRY CASON,
Presiding Officer.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. S. 1911 and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and only qualified voters who are property tax-payers of said City shall be allowed to vote at said election.

All voters who favor the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots, the words:

"For the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating General Elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Mexia, attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as proper notice of said election.

The Mayor is authorized and directed to cause said notice of the election to be posted up at the City Hall, and one at the Post Office and one at the Farmers State Bank Corner, all in the City of Mexia, for at least thirty (30) full days prior to the date of said election.

The Mayor is further authorized and directed to have said notice of election published in some newspaper of general circulation published in said City, and which notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the date of the first publication being not less than thirty (30) full days prior to the date of the election.

E. WATSON,
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MRS. MARY T. NORTON, congresswoman-elect from New Jersey. She will be the only woman member of Congress from states east of the Mississippi River when she takes office March 4.

H. C. Fitzgerald, newly elected treasurer of the county, is in the office at the courthouse being shown the ins and outs of the details by Mrs. Lula Oates, whom he succeeds to the office.

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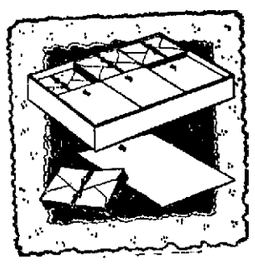

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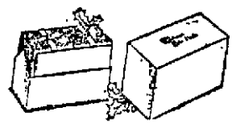

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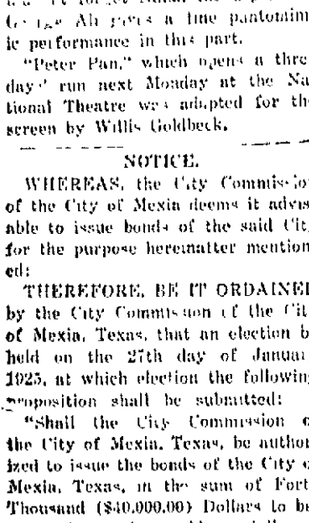

OUTLAWS AND POACHERS out in the Glacier National Park keep a smart lookout for her. She is Mrs. Chief Wades, assistant police chief of the Indian reservation, and the only Indian policewoman in the world. Her husband is chief.

Notice to the Public

On account of present manager retiring from the business we will not make any accounts against anyone until further notice. We will appreciate the attention of all who have accounts with us now at an early date so we can adjust our business.
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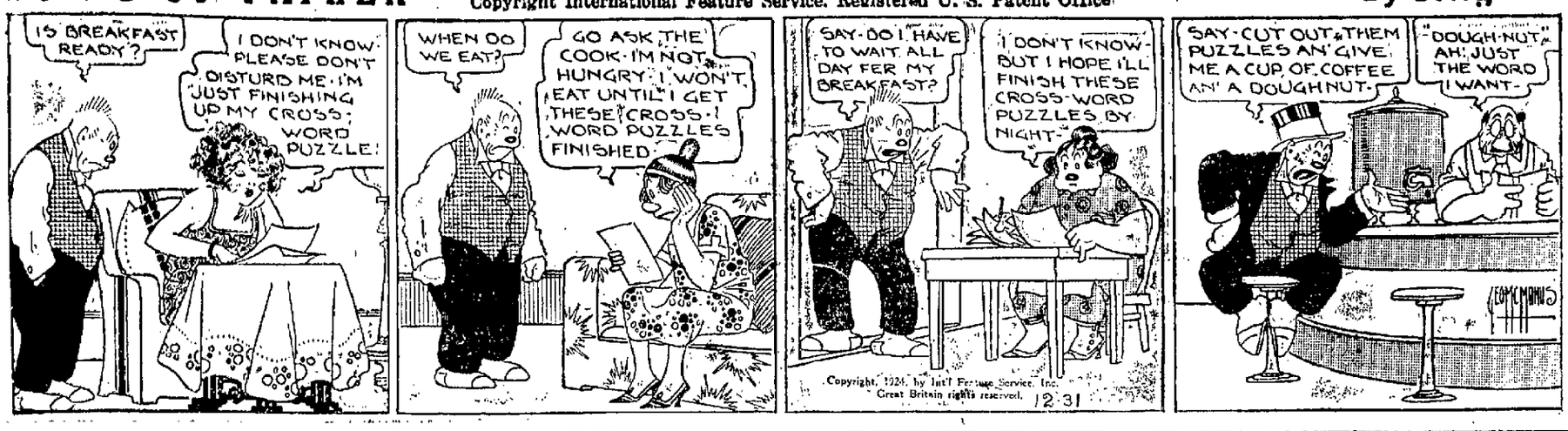
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FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished four room apartment, modern. To couple with reference only. Garage. Phone 178 for appointment to look you over. 31X3

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WILL PAY highest price for E. L. Smith Oil Stock. Write or wire C. L. Tatum, Mexia, Texas, P. O. Box 718.

WANTED—Vacant lot in good part of town. Must be a bargain for cash, and not too far out. O. H. Allen, general delivery. 26-7

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We collect bad account and judgements. We make hot checks (hotter). See us we will get results. Mexia Detective Bureau, City Hall. 19-T-30

WE TRADE new Furniture and Stoves for old ones. Langston Furniture, 312 Commerce St.

SAW HOSPITAL, J. E. Fox, 731 S. Bonham or address box 455, saws filed, set and jointed, an all around mechanic, will call and deliver scissors, knives, razors, etc. 29X2

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FOR SALE—1921 Buick roadster, bargain for cash sale, or might accept Ford car, see Ellis Hargrove, Mexia Tire & Battery Station No. 3. 21X7

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NOTICE.

The annual stockholders meeting of the City National Bank of Mexia will be held at its banking house in the city of Mexia on Tuesday, January 13th, 1925 between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. for the election of a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before said meeting.

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One of these wells being 2,000 barrels at a depth of 1223 feet. The bringing in of these wells caused Red Bank Oil Company stock to go from $1.50 per share to $58.00 per share.

THE MOFFAT OIL FIELDS CORPORATION also owns 40 acres at Wellington, Colorado.

100 acres at Craig, Colorado and acreage at Chautauqua County, Kansas, which is on the Oklahoma line.

Quick Action Demanded

The Wortham field is the fastest in history and if you want to get some of this cheap stock of MOFFAT OIL FIELDS CORPORATION at ¼ cent per share, you will have to act quick, as the price is going to advance.

This company is now negotiating for royalties in this wonderful field, and if you have royalty for sale submit it to us.

NOTE: The E. L. Smith Oil Company, J. K. Hughes and Humphreys-Boyd are heavy operators in the Wortham field; also their headquarters are close to here, being in Mexia and Dallas, Texas.

We will be glad to keep you in touch with any new developments of these and other companies and will appreciate your buy and sell orders in these and other stocks.

We handle stocks for cash or on payments of 10% down and 10% a month.

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We will loan 80 cents a share on E. L. Smith, $7.00 on J. K. Hughes and $60.00 a share on Humphreys-Boyd six months loan.

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State Aid Officer Visits Limestone County Schools

J. D. Conn, Austin, state school aid supervisor, is in Limestone county making a survey of 47 schools which have made application to the state for funds above the regular allowance. The state officer will spend two weeks in the county and pass on application while here.

There are 71 schools districts in the county. Three above the 47 are eligible for state aid but are in such condition that they do not need the aid. Mr. Conn will determine whether the amounts asked shall be granted. The state aids schools in maintaining the standard of teaching force and paying other expenses by various sums as the state officer determines is needed.

Most schools of the county have resumed teaching after the holidays, according to Mrs. Cora Ferguson, county superintendent of schools, who says that the teachers and pupils alike had rather have the additional week at the end of the term than at Christmas time.

During the year 1924 three schools buildings and three teacherages have been erected, records show. At Mr. Joy, Central institute and Ceder districts new school buildings have been erected and teacherages have been erected at Ben Hur, Nonger and Mark's Chapel.

A number of other teacherages are planned in various districts. Good attendance at county schools during the fall has been reported from all districts. The good attendance is due to good weather and early completion of the cotton picking in the county.

Mrs. Ferguson has moved into her new offices in the basement of the new court house at Groesbeck, where a large space has been assigned her department. She will begin another term in office on New Year's Day.

List of Names Running Short

[By United Press]

EL PASO, Dec. 30.—Papa Ortega had named seventeen of his children, but stalled there. Number 18 was clinging to his left foot as he stood in front of his blacksmith shop here, answering questions patiently.

"Adela" informed Modesto, aged 4½, who had been number 17 on the list.

"Then there's Beatrice, 14 months Papa Ortega went on, his courage restored by the prompting, "and an another comes in March—that's twenty."

Fifteen are living, thirteen of them still at home. Jose Maria, Eljenio, Jose, Leonardo, Paz, Pedro, Bonifacio, Juan, Manuela, Clara, Delphina, Carmel, Leonora, Juan Adolfe, Adolpho junior, Adula, Modesto, Beatrice, and Bernardo. The family lived in the upper half of an adobe shack which housed the blacksmith shop, but Papa Ortega decided to move to a farm.

"It is best" he said, simply. Six big mules, a mare and a colt dragged three wagon loads of Ortegas to their new home near Los Cruces, and El Paso lost 21 members of its population, besides the one coming in March.

One of the oldest superstitions prevalent all over Europe is the idea that animals assume the power of speech at Christmas time.

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COWCATCHERS ON TRUCKS AND AUTOMOBILES! Well, they have been in use on railroad locomotives for years, and have proved their worth. This one picked up a man at 25 miles an hour at a demonstration in Washington. He was not scratched.

No Days of Grace For Auto License

No instructions to give additional time for the purchase of automobile licenses for 1925 have been received by the county tax collector nor other officials of the county, Police Chief A. R. Mace has been advised.

Under the law all automobiles driven on New Year's day and thereafter must bear the plates of the new year. Motorists have in some past years been granted additional time before the law is enforced but no instruction to extend the time has been received here.

The tax collector at Groesbeck has plenty of plates to supply the motorists of the county and applications are being made at his office for the necessary new tags.

The tax collector's office will continue to issue the plates after the first, however. The driver of the automobile being at his own risk of being detained by the officers.

ALL RIGHT—EXCEPT.

HOUSTON, Dec 30.—Ray Scruggs, city attorney described life in the suburbs of Houston during the recent storm.

"All we lacked during the cold snap is lights and water and gas and telephones and street cars. We had a little trouble getting coal and groceries too."

Marriages During Christmas Period Show Cupid Busy

While Jack Frost aparently held sway during the Christmas period in Mexia, Dan Cupid did not evacuate this territory in favor of the former, but remained at his post with fairly good success.

Among the Christmas weddings in Mexia were several affecting well known families.

On last Saturday afternoon Leslie William Seymour, of Southwestern Methodist University, Dallas, was married to Miss Lillian Ross of Mexia, at the First Presbyterian church, Rev. E. H. Hudson officiating.

On Christmas Eve a church wedding took place at the First Baptist church, Henry M. Ford, of the Jarecki Manufacturing coming, taking Miss Lois E. Terry of Mexia as his bride. The Rev. Joe Jeffres officiated at the ceremony.

Other weddings of the season included the marriage of J. A. Vaughn and Miss Lulu Greer, both of Mexia. Mr. Vaughn is a barber. Both he and his bride are well known here.

Paul B. Hicks and Miss Vera Jean Lester were united in marriage during the holidays.

SOME APPLE TREE.

[By United Press]

SAN SABA, Dec. 30.—Twenty-four bushels of apples from one tree was the record turned in here by S. E. Jamar, San Saba county fruit grower. The fruit brought from $1 to $1.50 a bushel. Nearly two bushels of marble-sized apples were threshed from the tree early early in the summer to prevent destruction of the branches, Jamar said.

DALLAS.—Doc Stewart's Texas Longhorns beat the Stickle Lumberjacks, 24 to 22, in a hard fought game here last night.

FORT WORTH.—The Dallas Boethians fell before Texas Christian University Cagers, 25 to 18, here last night.

Everyone tells us that Bill Joe looks like his grandfather; but he'll probably be pretty well haired out when he gets older.

With the waning of the old year and the welcome of the New, we desire to express our thanks and appreciation to those who have favored us with their patronage.

...These manifestations of their confidence are, indeed, gratifying and an inspiration toward greater effort to be of wholesome service during 1925.

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KANSAS STIRRED OVER ACTION OF GOVERNOR

East Central Texas Estimated Yield 136,186,082 Barrels

GREAT VOLUME ADDS IMMENSE WEALTH TO DISTRICT

A fair and conservative estimate of the production of the fields of East Central Texas, since the deep prolific sands of the Woodbine formation of the Balconnes fault were discovered by Colonel A. E. Humphreys four years ago, gives the district in excess of 136,000,000 barrels.

Of the fields along the fault in this part of Texas, Mexia a major fault and Currie a minor fault, which became factors in Texas in the Fall of 1921, are yet in the lead, with a total of 68,737,937 barrels. Both were discovered by Humphreys companies.

Powell is second in total yield, as well as in second place in productive areas in Texas today, with 62,802,238 barrels. This field was discovered in January 1922.

Richland which appeared on the oil horizon in the Spring of 1924 has produced 3,241,807.

These are all deep fields, the posted price for which is now $1.25 per barrel which average has been more than maintained all along.

The latest pool to join the group is that at Wortham, brought in by the Humphreys Boyd Oil Company, and since the Friday before thanksgiving, when the N. B. Boyd 1, discovery well, was brought in, since which it has produced around 700,000 barrels.

The total for these according to these estimates is barrels district have during this period of four years produced near the same amount as Wortham has in six weeks or 700,000, giving the entire district a combined estimate of 136,186,082 barrels.

This volume at $1.25 per barrel would give the section added wealth produced in these four years in excess of $170,000,000.

For a time, the price at Mexia was $2.00 per barrel and at Currie higher than that. Also by a deal with major purchasing companies, the old Humphreys oil Company sold 60,000,000 barrels of oil for $1.50 per barrel, which price maintained here for that company, when other companies were receiving less.

On November 13, 1923, the peak was reached for these fields when their combined production for the day was around 400,000 barrels.

VETERANS MUST FILE FOR THEIR COMPENSATION

Z. Rochelle, Adjutant for the Nowlin Post of the American Legion, calls attention to all service men to the Washington order that all desiring adjusted compensation must file their applications before midnight tonight. Offices all over the United States are being deluged with an avalanche of applications and scores of men in this section will no doubt be greatly benefited by heeding the instruction to file today.

Bunn Takes Tax Books to Austin For State O. K.

A. B. Bunn, county tax assessor, left Tuesday night for Austin with the assessment books of the county, where he will get the stamp of approval of the state officials on the rolls turning them over to W. A. Robbins, collector.

Mr. Bunn is expected to return by Monday, when tax payments will be received. The taxes due are the installments for county and state taxes for 1924 as well as poll tax. The tax must be paid during January to avoid a penalty of 10 per cent, which the law prescribes and which the tax collector cannot avoid adding.

Poll tax is $1.75 and must be paid before the end of January if the voter desires to obtain a receipt on which to vote during the year 1925.

BANKERS WARN business not to overstep itself just because times are getting good again. Here is William E. Knox, New York, president of the American Bankers Association.

WORTHAM TAKES THIRD PLACE IN UNITED STATES

With more than 200 wells drilling in the Wortham area, the filed promises to have that many completions during the month of January. The potential yield of the field today is crowding the 100,000 barrels daily mark, giving it first position in Texas producing districts and at least third if not second place in the United States. It is exceeded only by Bakersfied, California, and possibly by Tonkawa.

Pipe line companies are daking every effort possible to get men to enable them to complete their plans to take care of the peak when it comes. Several pipe lines are advertising daily for men in the classified advertisement column of The Mexia Daily News.

Oil journals are now admitting that the estimate of the Wortham field as being good for 60,000,000 barrels has not been exaggerated.

The field represents not only a record in speed in drilling but also in the volume of flush production for each well that has come in. None of the other Mexia fault fields showed such a volume of crude with so few wells in, there now being less than 25 producers in the district.

The gathering capacity of the seven pipe line companies serving Wortham has been estimated at 224,000 barrels daily with a discharge capacity of 193,000 barrels daily.

The Humble Company has started its tank car shipment from the Powell field, making room for 20,000 barrels daily of Wortham oil.

The Rio Gravo Oil Company and the Clayton Oil and Refining Company are understood to be the only companies in the field without lines in the market for Wortham crude. The Clayton Oil and Refining Company has a contract with the Rio Bravo Company to take 2500 barrels daily by tank car; another 2500 barrels daily will be taken by the Portable Refinery being set up North of Wortham.

In addition to these provisions to take care of the peak, storage is being built in the fields to take care of the situation.

There has been a revision in the tank program. The Pure Oil Co. will erect eight 55,000-bbl. tanks at its Mexia tankfarm; the Boyd Oil Co. has one 55 up and one building in its 50-tank program. E. L. Smith will build five 55s; the Sun Oil Co. four 55s, with steel now on the ground for two of these; Atlantic Oil Producing Co., five 55s on its Mexia tank farm; Simms Oil Co., five 55s at Mexia; the Humble Oil & Refining Co., 20 80,000-bbl. tanks on a new tank farm 1 mile northwest of Wortham.

54,703 BALES IN DECEMBER 13 ACCORDING TO GINS

The cotton crop of Limestone County, practically all in, totals approximately 55,000 bales. This is in excess of any year since the oil boom and compares favorably with the years immediately preceding the discovery of oil, by which many hundred acres, were abandoned as cotton fields.

According to Tom L. Cox, Special Agent for the Bureau of Census of the Department of Commerce.

There were 54,703 bales of cotton ginned in Limestone County, from the crop of 1924 prior to Dec. 13th., 1924, as compared with 48,949 bales to the same date last year.

DEATH OF VETERAN SHOCKS MEXIA FRIENDS

The death of Colonel L. V. Greer in Dallas early this week was a shock to his friends in Mexia. Quite a number of local citizens have known him for years. He was with the legal department of the Magnolia Company and was a business visitor here a short while before the operation which occurred just before his death. He was a student in the law department of the University of Texas when quite a few Mexia ex-students were in school there. A graduate of West Point and Leon Springs Officers Training School, veterans of the world war in Mexia also met him in that connection.

LIGHT RAINFALL.

Rain falling for a 24 hour period ending at 8 a. m. Wednesday was practically nothing, the official recording gate registering .05 of an inch. The highest point of the mercury for the same period was 54 and the lowest 38 or well above freezing.

Elks Club To Stage Benefit Wrestling

Under the auspices of the B. P. O. Elks charity fund a wrestling match featuring Henry Stoeff, former wrestling instructor of the Wisconsin University, and an opponent to be selected, is to be staged at the Elks' Club within a week or 10 days.

Taking advantage of the visit here of the wrestler, a committee of the Elks Club have arranged a match, which is expected to attract unusual attention.

Stoeff is seeking a match, when a date will be arranged. The match will be on a bisis of a finish bout.

Repairs and a new coat of paint have made the Southern Pacific railroad station at Groesbeck take the appearance of a new one. A crew of carpenters and painters have been at work on the station for some time but have practically completed their work.

J. M. McClasky was a business visitor to Groesbeck Saturday.

ONLY TWO of all the women known to Norman Selby (Kid McCoy) came to his defense when he was on trial in Los Angeles for the murder of Mrs. Theresa Mors. Here is shown one of them, Dagmar Dahlgren, McCoy's eighth wife.

NEW YORK SOCIETY IS entertaining Baroness Jeane d'Etrielles, one of the prettiest of the many female notables, arriving for winter visits.

FRENCH MINISTER WANTS TO POOL FOR ALLIED DEBTS

PARIS, Dec. 31.—Clementhal has proposed that the principles of the Dawes plan be applied to funding the French war debt. He called at the American embassy to explain the attitude of France to Ambassador Herrick.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—More diplomatic assurance from France that she means to pay the four billion debt to America rather than a definite refunding agreement was expected to be the result of efforts of the administration spokesmen to get action from France.

The attempt of France to force a reduction of the debt through pooling the inter-allied debts is suggested by Finance Minister Clemental is expected to increase hostile American sentiment.

Plan Gigantic Electric Plant Near Trinidad

[By United Press]

DALLAS, Dec. 31.—Plans for construction of a gigantic generating plant on the East banks of Trinity river, near Trinidad, Texas, were under consideration by officials of the Texas Power and Light Company here today.

Work will begin in 60 days, officials said. The unit plan will be followed. The initial installation consisting of a 20,000 kilowatt plant. Ultimate capacity of the plant will be 150,000 kilowatts.

U. S. Cities Show Lower Death Rate

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. — The death rate in the United States dropped 4 per cent in 1924, the fatality records in sixty one cities show. Cities with population of 27,000,000 reported mortality rate of 125 to each 10,000, compared with 130 last year.

LICENSE ACCOUNTANTS

WACO, Dec. 31.—The State board of Public Accountants, meeting here adjourned today after granting licenses to 27 out of a class of 70 applicants.

WEATHER BEN'FIT TO FARMS MANY PLAN HEAVIER COTTON

Rain and cold weather for the past few days may nave been disagreeable to oil workers and others but for the farmer the weather was acceptable. Farmers of this district their "middle busting" of cotton land well under way, greeted the rain with pleasure for some of the land badly needed the season before preparation for cotton and corn.

Freezing weather is always beneficial to the men who make their living from the land, for they claim that a good crop always follows a cold winter. Clods produced by the dry weather are broken by the freezing.

Farmers of Limestone and Freestone county, encouraged by several seasons of good cotton prices, are planning the planting of more acreage in cotton, it is generally believed. While Limestone county produced more cotton this year than the year before, Freestone fell slightly below the former year.

While reports from various districts indicate loss of sheep and other animals during the Christmas freeze few losses were encountered in this district.

Wood chopping, rabbit hunting and such winter pastimes are indulged in now by the agricultral men of the county, although some are taking advantage of the season to select their corn seed, sharpen their tools and prepare generally for the spring.

The oats of the western part of the county is reported as in good condition. Most of the oats planted showed a good stand, although the dry weather damaged it some. The grain does not grow in cold weather but had not damaged the crop. The wet weather will start the grain to growing when warmer weather comes.

Continue Parsons Trial until March

Continuance of the trial of J. F. Persons, charged with murder in connection with the death of Dr. J. O. Holton, Prairie Hill, last April, was agreed upon in Judge A. M. Blackmon's seventy-seventh district court Monday at the request of the defense.

The case went over to the March term of court and the special venire of jurymen called excused.

COMMISSIONER JOHN KENNEDY BUYS HOME

County Commissioner John M. Kennedy has invested in Mexia real estate to the extent of acquiring one of the best Ross Avenue properties available. Mr. Kennedy recently bought the bungalow home of Clay McKinney, known as the Jim Gentry place on South Ross, which he will occupy as his home shortly.

THE WEATHER.

Texas—Cloudy, rain turning to snow Thursday.

RITA WEIMAN, author and playwright, "just simply abhorred marriage," and said so in many of her stories and plays. Undoubtedly she changed her mind. She is seen here with her husband, Maurice Marks, who was her advertising manager.

MRS. EDNA BASSETT of Hollywood, Calif., formerly a prominent Hollywood society woman and a great favorite of the film stars there, has been appointed director of the Near East Relief's Zenopian Orphanage at Asiatic Smyrna.

CONGRESSMAN ON STAND CLAIMS ASKED WIFE TO SHOOT

[By United Press]

ALPENA, Mich., Dec. 31.—Twice during the few months they lived together in Wishington, Congressman Frank D. Scott offered a loaded revolver to his wife and told her to shoot him if charges against her are untrue. Scott testified at the divorce trial that Mrs. Scott refused. Scott accusses her of infidelity and reckless waste of money.

Details of "the enormous gambling losses" charged against Scott and Mrs. Scott's cross bill, parties at the Scott apartment that Scott testified were attended by his wife and Captain Sumners(and other parties ttended by high officials in the army and Congress were expected to be bared when Mrs. Scott takes the stand.

Admitting that much of his testimony given against his wife was from information received from Miss Jane Kennedy, his secretary, Scott quoted conversations overheard between Mrs. Scott and friends to substantiate his charges in the late afternoon session yesterday.

"My gambling losses were nominal," Scott testified when questioned regarding "enormous gambling losses," charged in his wife's cross bill. "I never gave a $4,000 check to Representative Allen Moore of Illinois to cover gambling losses."

Names of Willam Wilson, then a Department of Justice agent; Peter McLain, Marion, Ohio, protege of the late President Harding; Congressman Daniel Anthony of Kansas; Thomas Miller, alien property custodian at the time and guy Stanifer, Seattle, appointee in the Veterans Bureau, were brought into the trial as alleged gambling companions of Scott.

Prince Kalanianiola, Hawaii, was also named as one of the Washington group that frequented the "Boars Net" on K street.

Under cross-examination Scott admitted drinking but denied that he had ever been an "excessive" drinker.

EUBANKS BUYS MAIN STREET HOME OF L. E. KOLLMAN

A. Hardy Eubanks, active vice-president of the Farmers State Bank, last Saturday bought the elegant new home property of L. E. Kollman, who recently left Mexia to reside at Hondo, in South Texas. Mr. Kollman came up last week to visit Mexia and transact business, and while here sold the property to Mr. Eubanks. Several other residential properties are expected to change hands immediately after the first of January, while considerable building activity is also in prospect.

Mrs. U. H. Morgan has been a holiday visitor with her father and mother and other relatives in Dallas.

DAVIS' AXE FALLS ON CHANCELLOR UNIVERSITY KANSAS

[By United Press]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 31.—A resolution terming the removal of Chancellor Lindley "an irreparable loss to the educational interests of Kansas," and "a calamity to the whole State," was adopted unanimously at a mass meeting of Kansas University alumni and students here Tuesday.

Speeches lauding the chancellor and condemning the action of Governor Davis in ousting him were wildly applauded and the same acclaim was accorded the reading of telegrams from all over the country protesting his removal.

Speakers urged that politics be removed from the affairs of the University and that " this be made an everlasting example so institutions of learning can not be made political footballs."

The sentiment of the meeting was that Governor-elect Paulin would reappoint Chancellor Lindley regardless of the hearing Jan. 5, on the temporary restraining order asked by the ousted official.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 31.—With the ousting by Governor Davis of W. P. Lambertson from the board of administration because he refused to vote for the ejection of Chancellor Lindley of Kansas University, all Kansas was wondering where the next gubernatorial ax would fall.

Lambertson, who was asked to resign by the Governor several days ago, was "fired" late yesterday and advised he had told a "bare-faced" lie.

In a letter to Lambertson, notifying him that his services on the board were needed no longer, Governor Davis charged him with double crossing and lack of dependability.

"My request for your resignation was not made because of your vote in the Lindley matter and you know it," the letter stated. "It was because of your double-crossing and lack of dependability that I had concluded to ask you to resign.

"For months you had been insisting to me and other members of the board that Chancellor Lindley should be dismissed because of his attitude toward the board and its control. You even offered to make the motion that the board dismiss him summarily from the chancellorship."

The Governor's letter scathingly rebuked Lambertson for his attitude in the Lindley matter and in other matters pertaining to his duties on the board, adding that "when you say you refused to vote to oust Chancellor Lindley because of the insufficiency of the charges, you, in plain American language, tell a bare-faced lie."

Simmons 6 of The Humphreys Boyd Company Added

The Simmons number 6 of the Humphreys Boyd Oil Company was completed at 5:30 Tuesday, making what was termed a 5,000 barrel well.

This company now has five producers on this famous gusher lease, the number 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6. It also has the N. B. Boyd 1, discovery well, giving the company six producers and a lead in daily yield.

Several more wells have cemented and will drill in within the next few days.

Mrs. Rush Allison has returned to her home in Abilene, following her visit here during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McLendon. Mr. Allison returned last Sunday.

Mrs. T. E. Brown and son, Tom, Jr., have returned to their home in Houston, after several days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Denning.

Fourth District Road Bonds Sell For $27,000 Premium

SALE IS MADE TWO WEEKS AFTER THE ELECTION

Bonds of the Fourth District, Limestone county, recently voted in the amount of $1,300,000 were Tuesday sold by the commissioners court to C. Edgar Honnold, Oklahoma City bond broker, for par, accrued interest and $27,000, in a field of 20 bids submitted.

The bid on the bonds, but two weeks from the date of the vote of approval in the district, is believed to constitute a record for speed and County Commissioner John Kennedy of this district, highly pleased with the result of the election and the sale, says that dirt should be moving for the new roads within 90 days.

The bonds bear 5½ per cent interest. They are to be printed and turned over to the bond buyers as soon as the necessary legal procedure can be carried out.

The bid of Honnold was $10,000 higher than the next highest bidder. Banks of Dallas, Fort Worth and Houston as well as Mexia submitted proposals for the issue. The action was taken Tuesday afternoon at the session of the commissioners' court at Groesbeck.

Mr. Kennedy says that the roads are to be built as soon as possible, likely not waiting for Federal and State aid. Through an arrangement the State and Federal aid can be added as soon as it is available, not holding up the expenditure of the district bond money for the other funds.

Seventy miles of roads out of Mexia are to be built with the money received. The premium alone will build a mile of concrete pavement. The state and Federal funds will bring the money to be spent to a much larger sum.

On December 16, just two weeks before the bond sale, the voters of the district overwhelmingly approved the issue for good roads.

Through dispatches sent out from the Mexia Daily News a large number of financial houses were advised of the sale date of the bonds, resulting in the heavy bidding. The premium was higher than was expected and the new court house halls were filled with bond buyers and financial men on Tuesday afternoon awaiting the verdict of the court.

With this money and state and Federal funds which go with it the city of Mexia will have radiating from it the best net work of roads of any city of its size in the state. Every road is to be improved.

Priests In Bucket Brigade Fight Fire

[By United Press]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Sticking at their posts in a bucket brigade until firemen relieved them, a score of priests braved the flame swept administration building of Fordham University and saved the blessed sacrament, valuable library treasures and records.

Chinese Bandits Rob Americans

[By United Press]

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Seven Americans together with a car full of passengers, were robbed by armed Chinese bandits who boarded a train between Pekin and Tien Tsin, according to a Central News dispatch from the latter city today. The Americans gave up $10,000 among them.

A car of British soldiers on the train remained in ignorance of the holp-up.

COMMUNITY IN WATCH PARTY AT CHURCH TONIGHT

Scores of speakers and an interesting program are scheduled for Wednesday evening at the First Baptist Church, when a community Watch Service will be held to bid farewell to 1924 and welcome 1925.

The services will begin at 10 p. m. and last until after the new year. Mayor Ernest Watson, Garland Adair J. K. Hughes, Rev. Joe Jeffers and others are to speak.

"What about the next year for Mexia, personally, religiously, morally, commercially and socially," will be the subject or subjects discussed. Music has been prepared for the occasion.

ROTARIAN NOT TO MEET UNTIL JANUARY EIGHTH

Owing to the fact that Thursday is a legal holiday, Secretary J. W. Elliott of the Mexia Rotary club announces that there will be no meeting of Rotary, at noon tomorrow. The next meeting will be at noon, January 8, in the basement of the First Methodist church where the Rotarians will be served by the ladies Missionary Society, which organizations has become so well known here for its service in this connection and for the excellent menus served.

The Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing Co. has steel for five 80,000-bbl. tanks left over from the Powell boom. This steel is at Mexia and is quickly available to the company if it wishes to add to its storage room there. The Sinclair Pipe Line Co. contemplates the laying of an 8-inch loop to the Gulf Coast which would require 80 miles of line and one new unit in each station on the road from Groesbeck south.

News Classified Ads get results.

HIGH OFFICIALS TO BE GREETED BY PRESIDENT THURSDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Ambassadors and ministers replendent in their uniforms of office, Cabinet officials, members of Congress, military and naval officers and thousands of citizens will call at the White House tomorrow to pay their respects to the President at the annual New Year's Day reception.

For more than three hours, from 11 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. the chief executive and Mrs. Coolidge will stand in the Blue Room and greet the countless numbers of visitors ushered through by squads of aides.

Custom demands that those attending be received by the President in the proper manner. First will come the members of the President's Cabinet headed by Secretary of State Hughes, and ending with Secretary of Labor Davis. Following the Cabinet will come the director of the budget bureau, General Lord, who, according to the official list is given a Cabinet status at State functions, and after him the diplomatic corps.

The diplomats will be received in the order of seniority, Ambassador Jusserand of France heading the list. Dr. L. C. Rowe, director of the Pan-American Union, has been accorded a place in lne wth the Iplomats.

As the visitors approach the President they will be first met by one of his aides whoh will introduce the caller to the President. The caller will then be greeted by Mrs. Coolidge. President and Mrs. Coolidge will receive during the entire function.

City Tax Offices To Open Thursday

To permit citizens to pay monthly water bills and city taxes the offices of the city will remain open Thursday, New Year's Day, Mayor Ernest Watson has announced. A few have paid taxes to get the idea on their expense of the old year, the books having been open for payment for several days.

Employes of the city were greeted with the monthly pay checks Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Jackson and little daughter, Bobby Dale, of Dallas, spend Monday and Tuesday in Mexia with Mr. Jackson's aunt, Mrs. J. M. McClasky, and family.

Wrecked Jap Liner Towed Into Port

[By United Press]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—The Japanese liner Ginco Maru, swept by fire, killing two children and wounding others, is being towed to Mansello, Mexico, today, saved from destruction by her heroic crew.

Boynton Takes Oath As Judge

[By United Press]

WACO, Dec. 31.—Charles A. Boynton took the oath of office here today as federal judge of the Western District of Texas, succeeding the late William R. Smith of El Paso. D. S. Hart of Austin administered the oath. He leaves Waco tomorrow for San Antonio to confer with Judge Duval West and proceed to El Paso Friday.

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South Wortham, Mr. lot owner for next 20 days will build complete: Box house 12x12 $104.00. 2 room Box house 12x16 $136.00. 3 room 12r20 $175.00. Box cot house 16x32 $275.00. Will give estimates on any size job new or old. Chas J. Moore, Patton Hotel, Mexia, Texas., Gen. Builder. 31X1

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We have moved our drug store from our former location corner of Sherman and Commerce Sts., across the street to the Schulz building formerly occupied by the Roseland Confectionery, 117 E. Commerce Street.

In our new location we will have more room and will be in a position to give you prompt and efficient service.

We are also adding to our already large stock and will be prepared to fill all your wants in our line.

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of the upper wonder why. I lar opinion, bas- ed on economic influence, that has put a ban on the upper berth. Do people shun it for fear of seeming "cheap?" Does any one ever stop to think of the many things in favor of the upper berth? Does he realize that its springs are used only as a bed? And that they are, therefore, more resilient and comfortable than those made to stand the sturdy jumping feet of children and the constant weight of passengers? The upper berth receives no draft of cold air, but gets a general circulation of the fresh air from the openings in the top of the car. But you argue that you like to look out the window in the early morning. How many do, really? A night of uninterrupted sleep, on a comfortable bed, will find you so refreshed that you will want to rise early and dress. And you are rewarded by finding the dressing room empty. You are first at breakfast and find everything hot and the waiters not rushed. Yet, you say, there is the climb up. If you are reducing, it is good exercise. If you are thin, you should not mind the exercise. I was placed in the lower berth by mistake. Tonight I shall go up where I shall find even more comfort than I found in the lower berth last night. I breakfasted at 10. The train had stopped to get oil and water. The train de luxe has no cinders or smut. It burns oil. I looked out the window and remembered that we were soon to cross the Pecos river bridge, the highest railroad bridge in the world. I hurried through my breakfast and traversed the long line of cars to the observation car to see this great wonder of engineering skill. Slowly the long train approached the graceful steel structure and then we looked down 321 feet, where the Pecos river winds, like a narrow ribbon, between great gray rocks that tower in mighty granduer and awe-inspiring splendor.

SUNSET LIMITED.

Less than a hundred years ago the first railroad was laid that carried passengers westward. What a difference the few intervening years have brought. The first train burned wood that had to be cut along the journey. There was no warmth for winter days and little protection from the heat of summer. Today, nothing is forgotten to make the trip across the country one of pleasure and comfort.

The train de luxe, in truth a "train of light", or more properly speaking, a train of enlightment, is also, if we may mix our French and English, "a train de light." Its business name is the Sunset Limited, so-called because it is limited exclusively to sleeper sections, compartments, and drawing rooms. It adds luxury to comfort with its spacious observation car where one will find all the popular magazines, bound in black leather binders. A desk, equipped with good stationary, suggests a letter to the loved ones at home. In this car are, also, compartments, and a ladies' lounge, much the same as the gathering place men have long enjoyed on trains, to the exclusion and envy of the women. In the lounge, also, is a shower bath that gives refreshment from that "stuffy" feeling a train, however clean, gives one.

The club car is interesting. Here is found the men's lounge where small round tables are fixed to the floor between the facing seats and ash trays and match holders and all the enjoyment to be found in a good cigar. There is a buffet, where soft drinks, sandwiches and cigars may be bought. Here, too, is a fully equipped barber shop and man's shower bath. The barber will press any garment at a nominal charge.

Katy is the maid on the train de luxe. She will cater to any want that can be met with at any beauty parlor, and there is, now, no need of one's ever getting off the train with any feeling of dirt or weariness.

Tonight we leave the Lone Star State and tomorrow will find us in Arizona.

And to me there was never a way
more blest
Than the sunset trail to the golden West,
Where the plains stretch far and the hills rise high
To be lost in the mists of the hovering sky.
And I close the doors against toil and care,
or the sunny land, with its balmy air,
Calls me to come and rest and play
Till I follow the trail to the sunset way.

Now we are told: "Cows will eat airplanes." We would not be especially interested in seeing a cow eat an airplane, but we'd enjoy seeing a cow chasing one.

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A prominent automobile manufacturer is author of the statement that "The difference between a 10-year car and a 1-year car is largely a matter of lubrication". The experience of this manufacturer and his success in the field of automobile engineering place him in a position to speak with authority on this subject.

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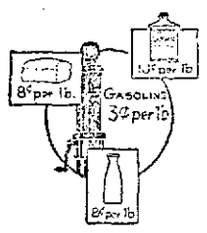

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TO THE PASSING YEARS

Beyond the earth's green cape and verdant isles
Hesperian sets, my signal to depart.
Be strong, live happy and love, but first of all
Him whom to love is to obey, and keep
His great command; take heed lest passion sway
Thy judgment to do aught which else free will
Would not admit. . . .
Go heavenly guest, ethereal messenger,
Sent from whose sovereign goodness I adore.
Gentle to me and affable hath been
Thy condescension, and shall be honored ever
With grateful memory; thou to mankind
Be good and friendly still, and oft return.
—Milton's Paradise Lost.

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A GREAT MAN IN A MATCHLESS ERA

The oil fields of East Central Texas, of which Mexia is the logical and geographical center and of which Colonel A. E. Humphreys of Denver and of Mexia is the discoverer have produced a volume of oil in the past four years which almost staggers the imagination of the average mind of the southwest. Think of it, during this brief period, the district within 35 miles Northeast and seven miles Southwest of here has yielded around 140,000,000 barrels of oil which sold for at least $175,000,000. Thrugh this gigantic development hundreds of thousands have been made happier, the entire section enriched and Texas lifted to a higher place as a state of mighty resources and of fabulous wealth. Through this spectacularly amassed fortune, the coffers of the Texas treasury have been filled, good roads have been built, better schools provided for, more magnificent churches erected and happiness and prosperity has been generally diffused over a wide area. Through this golden opportunity, Mexia has become famed throughout the world as one of the most important oil centers of the world, this municipality being the center and in the very heart of the richest spot on earth. It is not a matter of wonder that citizens visit other places and return here with the statement that Mexia is the best city in the southwest, if not in all the United States, for its size. It is not a matter of wonderment that citizens are pourin here by the scores daily, in search of wealth or seeking to make a living while estabiishing their homes and themselves in trade, profession or business here. It is not a matter of wonder that former Governor O. B. Colquitt recently said of the discoverer of this empire or ocean of oil that he had contributed more to the wealth of Texas than any ten men in it. Looking back over the past, the achievement so staggering in retrospect and so promising for the future, leads Mexia citizens to acclaim Colonel A. E. Humphreys as one of the great men of the nation in an era of mighty achievements and mighty men. And who knows but that at the end of another four years, this first period of development will but bring to the lips of men the exclamation that the "half has never yet been told"?

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A STURDY OLD AMERICAN SHIP

The year 1924 today passes out into that great Ocean of Time, fed by the numberless streams of countless centuries, Above many a perilous rock and swirled in many a dangerous shoal may be seen the wrecks of many a privateer who went out to sea without receiving his commission from Him whom the storms obey when He speaks "Peace be still." Ten thousand ships, made by earth's master builders, have failed to reach their ports in 1924 and their fate is to be repeated in 1925. For there never was a time when so many human crafts were upon the waters, endeavoring to outride the storms. Church life on the sea today is being disturbed by the clash of fundamentalists with modernists. Ships anchored with balls of iron, wrough in the theological forges of holy councils commissioned in the beginning of the centuries to do the world's thinking and to keep the world's conscience are pitted against others weighted down to the load water line with human philosophy, philosophy superficial, philosophy profound, philosophy gay and philosophy grave—all leaky crafts, badly built, badly manned and deplorably unreleiable even on a peaceful sea. Our national life is jeopardized by a fleet of Isms and Schisms. With heavy guns, these are booming and battering away, seeking to break down the faith of the fathers who believed in a free and enlightened government,—a fortress impregnable during a marvelous past in this matchless land of ours. As individuals, and as a nation, in 1925, let every American remember that there is one ship and only one, which can carry us over the invisible and treacherous main; that is "The Old Ship of Zion" which escorted the Plymouth fathers and the founders of this continent to the shores of Christian America.

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McINTOSH KNOWS THE GAME

Mexia sees a successful year ahead of the Texas Baseball Association. Baseball leagues have developed in recent years into business institutions as well as clubs offering sport to an increasing army. It is, therefore, more essential now than ever to have officials at the head of associations providing this national business and game who can appreciate the business perplexities to be confronted as well as the kind of game that can be maintained soundly and satisfactorily, assuring the maximum pleasure to the patronizing public. J. G. McIntosh, a Mexia citizen, has been selected as President of the Texas Association. Though he would not admit having the qualifications herein suggested, the cities of the circuit have utmost confidence in his ability, in his love for the game, in his knowledge of the game and in his loyalty to the leaue. Mexia baseball patrons are elated and those in other cities of the association are pleased because of his election and his acceptance of the trust. He is sure to ive the public more than a dollar's worth of baseball for every dollar expended and that is what will have to be done in 1925, if the league is to come out of the hole that it got in last year, the result of the Association being dominated by clubs rather than business men and officials.

Realty Transfers

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J. K. Stroud and wife, to G. A. Pearce, conveyance of lien, 205 acres of land out of the N. Benevides H. D. Martinez and the R. H. Beale survey.

W. F. Dewitt and wife, Margaret R. Dewitt, to H. L. Hughes, warranty deed being lot 7 in blk 11, in West addition of the town of Coolidge.

J. K. Stroud and wife to G. A. Pearce conveyance of lien, 205 acres of land out of N. Benevides, H. D. Martinez and the R. H. Beale survey.

J. K. Stroud and wife, to H. A. Pearce, conveyance of lien, being 205 acres of land out of the N. Benevides and H. D. Martinez, and R. H. Beale survey.

J. K. Stroud and wife to G. A. Pearce, warranty deed, being 205 acres of land out of the N. Benevides, H. D. Martinez and R. H. Beale surveys, 1-2 minerals reserved.

J. K. Stroud and wife, to G. A. Pearce, warranty deed.

DEEDS.

Ben D. Simon to S. H. Flake, lot 5, block 86, city of Mexia.

F. P. Vines and wife, to Troy D. McElroy and wife, lot 4, block 4, in Manning place, city of Mexia.

J. C. Nelson and wife to Eliza Story being west half of 10 acres, W. W. Boren survey.

Nellie V. Miller to N. T. Stubbs undivided one third interest in and to 1⅛ acres L. Norvelle survey.

ROYALTY CONTRACTS AND MINERAL DEEDS.

Fred C. Oliver to Sam Suravitk, 1-128 interest in and to 1st tr, part of the R. H. Beale survey of 57 acres, 2nd tr part of the S. H. Bates survey being 50 acres.

T. H. Thompson Jr., and wife, to J. O. Jones, 1-80 interest in and to 1st tr. part of the R. H. Beale survey, 57 ac 2nd tr 27½ acres of the S. H. Bates survey.

O. D. Hallum and wife, to T. J. Johnson, W. L. Sanders, J. G. Gamel, W. J. Barns, Levi Drinkard, Will Prichard, Chas. Schwartz, Jack Schwartz, Chas. Thorn, J. J. Glover, 2 parts W. A. Illey 2 parts, Harve Cook, 2 parts, J. L. Thompson, Joe Lusk, Hugh Moore, Carl Hill, J. A. Allbright.

1-128 interest in and to 50 acres out of the west side of 200 acre tract, known as the old Howell tract, John Boyd survey.

T. W. Robinson and wife to J. C. Yancy, W. A. Iley, Seth Prichard, Chas. Schwartz, Jack Schwartz, Douglas Hancock, L. A. Suttle, W. B. Burleson, C. E. Prince, J. G. Gamel, G. C. Wallace, Ed Blakely, W. L. Sanders, Henry Wofford, J. A. Allbright, W. A. Lamb, R. L. Vickers, Jno. Prichard, Jay Robbins, R. L. Vickers.

1-64 interest in and to 25 acres, west side of 65 acre, T. W. Robinson tract, John Boyd survey.

Transfer of lien and assignment of Lien.

Pearson & Taft to Continental Assurance Co.

70.76 acres of land P. Varela, W. J. Ward land.

Chas. Bluemeno to The Federal Land Bank of Houston, 197 acres, S. Allbright survey, J. S. Gloom land.

Continental Life Ins. Co. to Reynolds Mortgage Co., 197 acres, S. Allbright survey, J. S. Gloom land.

Reynolds Mortgage Co., to The Federal Land Bank of Houston 197.-65 acres of the S. Allbright survey, J. S. Groom survey.

Release:

Reynolds Mortgage Co., Texas State Bank of Fort Worth to J. S. Gloom and wife, 197.65 acres of the S. Allbright survey.

J. C. ....elson to Eliza Story 10 acres of the W. W. Boren league, being west half.

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No. 37	Dallas-Ft.W	4:59 a. m.
No. 31	Dallas	1:30 p. m.
No. 15	Dallas-Ft.W	3:31 p. m.
No. 33	Ennis	7:10 p. m.

South Bound.

No. 20	Houston	12:16 a. m.
No. 38	Austin-SA	12:21 a. m.
No. 18	Houston	1:37 a. m.
No. 34	From Ennis-Stp	7:15 a. m.
No. 32	From Dallas-Stp	10:08 a. m.
No. 16	Houstn-SA	11:55 a. m.

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No. 8		2:31 P. M.

South Bound.

No. 7		12:24 P. M.

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RALPH FORBES & RUTH CHATTERTON

Despite many denials, Ruth Chatterton, stage star, has married Ralph Forbes, of England, her leading man in "The Magnolia Lady," according to New York marriage license records. He is twenty-four, four years her junior, the records assert.

TELEPHONE WIRES ARE USED FOR MANY KINDS OF TALKS

During 1924 six separate and different uses of telephone wires have been made.

The wires have been used for local telephone purposes, for long distance conversations, for telegraphing news stories to newspapers, for connecting up the public address system, for connecting sixteen radio stations scattered over the country to broadcast the proceedings at the National Republican and Democratic Conventions, and for sending photographs, fingerprints, cartoons and sketches by telephone.

Less than half a century ago the world was startled when Alexander Graham Bell, through his invention of the telephone, succeeded in sending voice messages over telegraph wires. The art and methods of communication by wire advanced rapidly until not so very long ago means were devised to send both telegraph and telephone messages over the same wires at the same time. However, the developments of 1924 have pushed such startling feats into the background.

NEW YEAR 1925

—May contentment share with prosperity in all your efforts throughout the coming year.

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REMOVAL NOTICE

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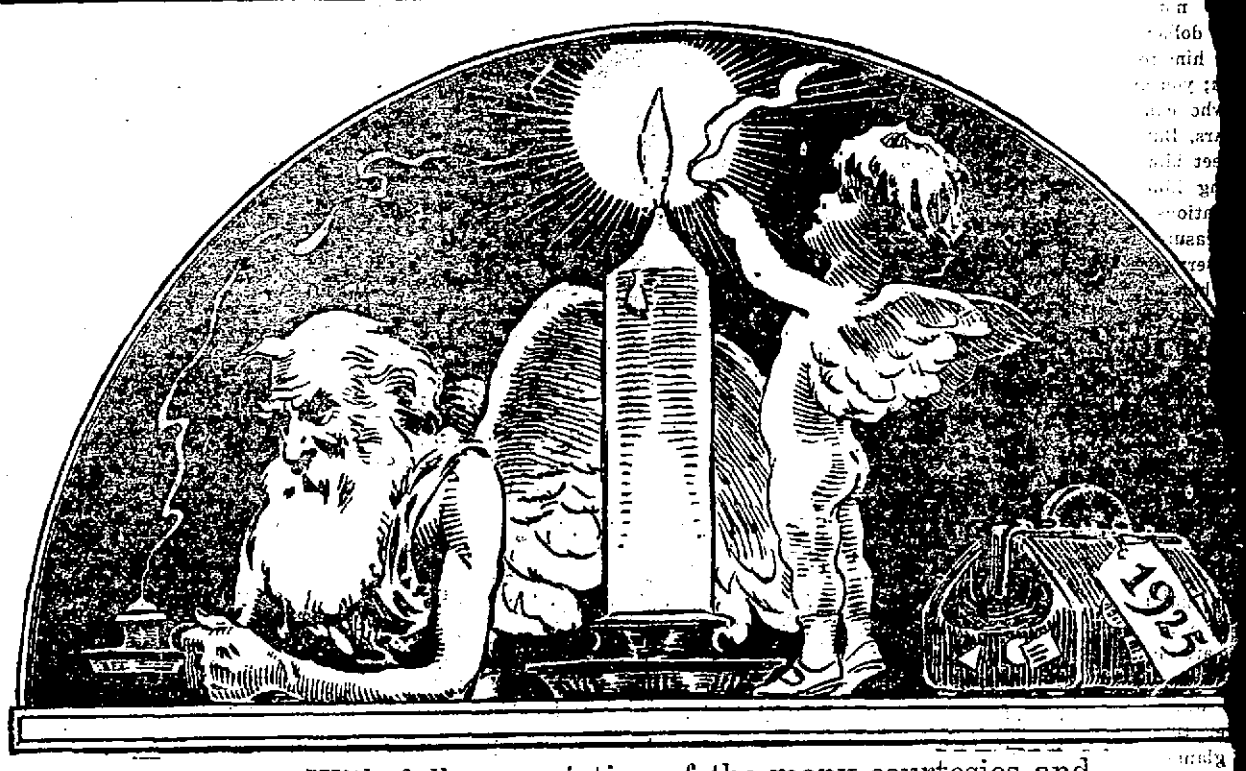

With full appreciation of the many courtesies and the patronage shown us the past year we extend our best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

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Shoplifter Sent To Jail; Taught Child The Trade

[International News Service]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Justices in Special Sessions were told that Mrs. Catherine Schezer, twenty-two mother of a three-year-lod child, taught an eleven-year-old girl to become a shoplifter. They then sentenced her to five days in Jefferson Market Prison.

Mrs. Schezer pleaded guilty to stealing trinkets valued at $31.22. Detectives who arrested her informed the Court that the girl, whose name was not disclosed, would pick the articles off the counter and pass them to Mrs. Schezer, who would place them in a bag.

Congress Takes Up Unobjected Bills Tuesday

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Congress met today to consider unobjected bills and continue the postal salaries increase hearing before adjournment for the New Year. The House continued the consideration of the treasury postoffice supply bills.

The Appropriations Committee considered independent offices and District of Columbia appropriation bills.

The Naval Affairs Committee met to consider the Britten resolution, calling on the State Department for information relative to elevation guns.

The Judiciary Committee considered the judges salary bill.

Cannibal Man of Germany Been at It for Ten Years

[By United Press]

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Karl Denke, the "cannibal man" of Muensterberg, who lured victims to his lonely Silesian farm and ate them, has been practicing cannibalism for ten years, police investigation today revealed.

Neighbors of Denke told stories of suspicious meat cooking in cauldrons which the farmer tended himself. Evidence was found of the death of fifteen persons recently, Denke having preserved their clothing.

The "cannibal man" committed suicide when arrested.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR ROAD BUILDING

[By United Press]

AUSTIN, Dec. 30.—Texas will have approximately $15,000,000 to spend on its designated highways in 1925.

Federal aid of $4,410,169 has been guaranteed irrespective of the acts of the incoming congress. Estimated revenues from automobile license fees are $7,700,000, with another $2,070,000 from the state's share of the gasoline tax.

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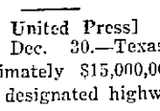
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C. SIMOPOULES is the minister from the youngest European republic, Greece, to the oldest republic of America, the United States. Photo snapped just after his first visit with President Coolidge.

OPENS PURSE IN WIND; $300 IN BILLS FLY AWAY

[International News Service]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—A mischievous wind cost William Wilson of San Francisco, just $300. William was taking out his wallet to buy a paper when the breeze caught three $100 bills and carried them down the street.

William leaped to catch his flying money, but the gust carried it around a corner, and, although he was aided by a crowd of searchers, he was unable to recover the money.

News Classified Ads get results.

100,000 Women In City Classed As Illiterates

[International News Service]

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—There are about 100,000 illiterate women in the city of New York, according to a statement made recently by Mrs. Nathan Straus, Jr., chairman of the committee on immigrant education of the National Council of Jewish Women.

In summing up the work done by the organization during the past year she said 80,000 women and girls had attended classes and clubs conducted by the committee. She added:

"We are proud that many of those enrolled in our English class are grandmothers, anxious to keep abreast of the younger generation."

MANY NATIONALITIES ON MINING PAYROLL

[International News Service]

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 30.—According to statistics recently compiled by the Miners Benefit Society of the Charleroi district, Belgium, the 6,284 miners on the rolls were divided among forty-six nationalities.

They included Belgians, Italians, Algerians, Moroccans, Hollanders, Poles, Frenchmen, three Americans, and one representative each of Abyssinia, Guinea, Persia, the Sudan, Canada, Finland, Mexico, Senegal, Turkey and Uruguay.

M. L. Baine, while working on the Manning lease, was injured in a recent boiler explosion.

Jim Kennedy of Wichita Falls is among local visitors today.

A dead hijacker now and then and riding will be safe again.

Trotsky Reported To Be Detained And Incarcerated

[By United Press]

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Daily Telegraph's Moscow correspondent says it is reported that Leon Trotsky, minister of war, has been arrested secretly and incarcerated in the Kremlin.

Latest United Press dispatches direct from Moscow gave no indication that differences of opinion betwcet Trotsky and other soviet leaders were of a nature to lead to the former's arrest. Trotsky has been in poor health for some time and his physicians recently ordered him to a health resort in the Caucasus, where he planned to work on a new book.

IOWA FARMER'S COW EARNS $467 IN YEAR

BEDFORD, Ia., Dec. 30.—What can be done in a year's time from one good cow, in dollars and cents, has been shown by Dee Willman, of Bedford, who owns a milch cow of the Jersey type and breeding.

This Jersey cow in one year and a day made Mr. Willman $467.11. Besides this amount a family of five has been kept in milk and butter. High tests on the old milk runs about 7 per cent and the cow is now approaching the age of ten years.

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Happy New Year

Hope Domestic
—One big lot of 36 inch Hope domestic, 7 yards for $1

Brown Domestic
—One big lot 36 inch brown domestic, 15c yard value, 10 yards for $1

Hose
—One big lot of Misses and Children's Hose, white, black and brown. Values up to 25c a pair. 8 pairs for $1

Ladies Silk Hose
—One big additional lot of ladies silk hose, $1.50 to $2.50 values One pair for $1

Pillow Cases
—One big lot of pillow cases, 35c values, 4 for $1

Ladies Blouses
—One big lot ladies blouses, silk and cotton at One Half Price.

Ladies House Dresses
—One big lot ladies House Dresses, up to $1.95 values $1

—One big lot ladies Edwin Clapp oxfords, $12.95 per pair Dollar Day sale $5.95

French Gingham
—One big lot 32 inch French gingham 65c and 50c values, 3 yards for $1

Men's & Boys' Shirts
—One lot madras for men's and boys' shirts, 50c yard values, 3 yards for $1

Silk Underwear
—All ladies Silk Underwear reduced 33 1-3 per cent.

Bleached Domestic
—One lot 36 inch bleached domestic, 15c yard value, Dollar Day 10 yards for $1

Union Suits
—One lot men's heavy knit, ankle length union suits, Dollar Day per suit $1

Men's Lisle Sox
—One big lot men's lisle sox, all colors, 25c and 35c pair values, 5 pairs for $1

"Mama" Dolls
—One lot "Mama" dolls, $1.95 and $1.50 values, each $1

Bloomers
—One lot children's black satin bloomers, 50c pair values, 3 pairs for $1

Wool Crepe and Serge
—One big lot 36 inch wool crepe and serge, $1.95 yard values per yard $1

Dress Flannel
—One lot wool dress flannel for sport dresses, $1.50 yard value, one yard for $1

Curtain Scrim
—One big lot curtain scrim, 65c and 50c yard values, Dollar Day, 3yards for $1

Turkish Towels
—One lot extra heavy Turkish towels, colored borders, $1.25 values 2 towels for $1

Napkins
—One lot napkins, Indian Head, one dozen for $1

Silks
—One big additional lot of silks, up to $1.95 values, Dollar Day one yard $1

Everfast Kinderkard
—One lot 36 inch Everfast Kinderkard, 75c yard values, 2 yards for only $1

Men's and Boys' Caps
—One big lot men's and boy's caps, $2.50 values, each $1

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Dying Year Notable in The Political History of the U.S.

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. — Of many epochs it is said that they "came in like a lion and went out like a lamb," but history records few that are more faithfully so characterized than the political and legislative year 1924 just drawing to a close.

The year dawned with a sensational series of revelations of alleged graft and corruption in the federal government that shook the nation. It is going out with the investigations a vague memory, a conservative President in the White House and the Secretary of the Treasury harking back to the days of '96.

The Senate investigations and the return of President Coolidge to the White House for four years in a three-cornered election were unquestionably the outstanding political events of the year. The fields of legislative and executive accomplishment were marked by further tax reduction and another slice from the public debt.

Congress was in session from the beginning of January to the 7th of June, mainly engrossed with the investigations, with feverish assaults on cabinet officers, with reducing taxes, passing the bonus, enacting restrictive legislation barring Japanese and generally keep the country in a turmoil. It returned on December 3, a chastened body, the insurgent Republicans largely defeated, with an emasculated legislative program, designed only to keep it busy until its constitutional demise on March 4 next.

No sooner was Congress adjourned for the summer than the quadrennial Presidential was ushered in with a bang. Less than a week after adjournment, Calvin Coolidge, of Vermont was acclaimed the nominee of the Republican party.

General Charles G. Dawes, of Chicago, was named as his running mate.

The Democrats, intent upon capitalizing the unrest and discontent incident to the revelations of official corruption under the Republican administration, went into convention in New York early in July, full of hope.

They emerged 10 days later, after 103 ballots in the most turbulent political convention in history, torn and bleeding from bitter religious quarrels and factional disputes between Governor Al Smith of New York, and William G. McAdoo, with a candidate of sterling worth, according to his political foes as well as his friends—John W. Davis of West Virginia—but with a party divided and scant chance of coming through the victors. Governor Charles Bryan of Nebraska was the Democratic Vice-presidential nominee.

Meanwhile, Senator Robert M. La Follette laid plans for his own campaign. On July 4, at Cleveland, at a convention of the Conference for Progressive Political Action, La Follette was formally acclaimed the leader of American independence and launched himself on the ocean of Presidential politics with Senator Wheeler of Montana, his second-place man. The American Federation of Labor endorsed the ticket.

Victory for Coolidge

The upshot of the first three-cornered campaign in 12 years was a sweeping victory for Coolidge, who obtained 382 electorial votes, Davis 136, and La Follette 13. Coolidge's popular vote approximated 17,500,000, Davis vote 7,500,000, and La Follette vote 4,500,000.

Undeterred by his defeat, the La Follette people voted just before the year closed to "carry on" and intensify their movement by organizing a third party, and called a convention to take place at Chicago early next year to draw plans for advancing their purpose. Meanwhile, their leader and three of his senatorial supporters in the ranks of the Republican party were read out of that organization.

The Congressional situation thruout the year was dominated by the La Follette progressive group which held the balance of power between the two evenly divided old parties. Throughout the six months of the year that the legislature sat, they were the commanding figures.

They tied up organization of the House while they demanded and got a liberalization of the rigid rules of the House. They extended their power to include sitting in judgment on the measures sponsored by the administration, and, in alliance with the Democrats dictating changes.

The two big investigations of the year were the Teapot Dome inquiry and the Daugherty probe. The former resulted in the elimination of Secretary of the Navy Denby by resignation and his replacement by Curtis Dwight Wilbur of California, and the enforced withdrawal from the cabinet of Attorney-General Daugherty, who was succeeded by Harlan Fiske Stone of New York.

The climax of the Teapot Dome investigation was reached when Senator Thomas J. Walsh, Democrat, of Montana, ferreted out evidence concerning loans made by former Secretary of the Interior Fall, who leased the oil reserves to oil interests who benefited by the leases. Suits were instituted for recovery of the reserves.

Senator Wheeler of Montana was the guiding spirit of the Daugherty inquiry which left the country gasping after a continual outpouring of testimony about alleged corruption in the Department of Justice.

Other investigations undertaken during the hectic spring included those of the Internal Revenue Bureau, which drew a protest from President Coolidge and Secretary Mellon; of the Veterans' Bureau, diploma mills, Texas land frauds, election of Senator Mayfield of Texas, Russian propaganda, the Bok peace award, Shipping Board, aircraft, charges against members of the House, campaign expenditures and other minor probes.

Tax Legislation

The tax bill probably was the outstanding piece of legislation enacted, even overshadowing its companion piece, the soldiers' bonus bill which finally went through providing insurance policies for veterans. Secretary Mellon recommended sharp downward revision of the surtax rates to stimulate late revenue producing investment and head off the flight of capital into tax-exempt securities which states and municipalities continued to issue at the rate of $1,000,000,000 a year, despite criticism by federal officials.

The Democratic Independent coalition in the House balked at Mellon's figures, however, and granted only half the cut asked. The Senate was even more unyielding and they compromised at dropping the maximum surtax rate only 10 per cent, leading President Coolidge to term the bill when he signed it, "unsatisfactory." With all its tax revision, however, the nation's tax burden was cut $150,000,000.

A provision providing for publicity of income tax payments farther made the bill distasteful to the President and Mellon. Publication of the lists by newspapers when finally made available in November, caused a great sensation and a demand for repeal of the provision.

Other important legislation passed was the new immigration bill, which based the quota on the 1890 census instead of the 1910 census as at present and cut to quotas from three to two per cent. The feature of the bill absolutely barring Japanese threatened to cause international complications and was put in only after desperate efforts by the President and Secretary Hughes to keep it out. The Child Labor Amendment likewise was passed and sent to the states for ratification.

Some railroad revisionary legislation was undertaken but failed. In the House, a filibuster killed off the Howell-Barkley bill for revision of the railroad labor board. Other rail legislation was discussed only in committees.

Another important battle was over Muscle Shoals. The House adopted the Ford bill. This was reported out by the Senate agriculture committee along with the Norris bill for government ownership. Then after adjournment of Congress for the campaign in June, Ford withdrew his offer and the Senate again took up the matter in December.

No important farm relief-legislation was enacted. The Norris-Sinclair bill to improve foreign markets for agricultural products was defeated in the Senate, and the McNary-Haugen bill was thrown out in the House.

The Senate and House passed the Buorsum pension bill providing for an increase in pensions of Civil and Spanish war veterans, but the President vetoed the measure because it did not provide the means of raising additional revenue to pay the additional expense upon the treasury. The bill failed by one vote to obtain the necessary two-thirds for adoption over the Presidential veto.

The bill increasing salaries of postal employees was adopted by both houses at the first session of the year but vetoed by the President and then harassed the second session.

The bill appropriating $111,000,000 to better the navy was finally adopted.

In Foreign Affairs

No active steps to change America's foreign policies were taken during the year. The Senate refused to act on the Harding-Hughes world court urged by President Coolidge and its major activity in foreign fields was ratifying a series of rum treaties negotiated by Secretary Hughes with maritime nations to facilitate the American war against rum runners.

President Coolidge came out early in the year with a proposal to hold a second Washington arms conference and repeatedly spoke of it there after until the League of Nations proposed to hold an arms conference, when he became silent. It is probable, however, that the President will renew his proposals.

The State Department underwent a revision of system as to personnel with the enactment of the Rogers bill consolidating the deplomatic and consular services. Secretary Hughes completed a series of treaties with Allied nations to safeguard American rights in territories mandated them by the League of Natons. An embarrassing incident arising out of the murder of Vice-Consul Robert W. Imbrie at Teheran, Persia, was settled by the payment of $60,000 indemnity by Persia.

The successful flight of army aviators around the world and the Defense Test were the two outstanding events in the military field. Three out of four planes leaving California in the middle of March circumnaviated the globe, flying east to west, arriving back in California in September.

The Defense Test, planned as a tribute to General Pershing who retired from active service in the army on September 12, mobilized the manpower of the nation in a test emergency, according to plans drafted by Pershing for a citizen army. Though not a complete success, army officials expressed satisfaction.

The navy was one of the chief topics of discussion and controversy throughout the year, because of the alleged deterioration of its material and its consequent falling off from the 5-5-3 ratio. A paper dispute with Great Britain over the right of this country under the arms treaty to raise the elevation of its guns, still unsettled, likewise caused commotion. As the year closed, Congress made available funds to modernize its motive power, and provide six new scout cruisers. It likewise instituted an investigation to learn the cause of the Navy's alleged deterioration.

Acquisition of two new dirigibles was another naval event. The Shenandoah, built in this country, was put into service, and made many trips over the country, one from coast to coast, in experimental work. Another giant gasbag, the ZR-3, or Los Angeles, was obtained from Germany as a war prize, being delivered after a thrilling trans-Atlantic flight.

President Coolidge's intervention to obtain an exhaustive study of the relative importance of aircraft and battleships in naval warfare featured the navy's year. Because of the uncertain status of the situation, appropriations for the navy were slightly cut, pending conclusions from the study.

The Public Debt.

The Treasury Department continued to shave the public debt and place the short-term issues on a sounder basis. Nearly 1 billion dollars was cut from the debt, with resultant cuts in interest requirements. A huge issue of 30-year four per cent bonds was put on the market at the end of the year, $200,000,000 worth being sold for cash, and another $1,000,000,000 being issued in exchange for Third Liberty bonds and other maturing issues.

A survey of irrigation and reclamation policies of the government was one of the chief events of the Interior Department's year. Recommendations for putting reclamation on a sounder basis were embodied in a bill which was passed by Congress.

The continuous day and night coast to coast air-mail service was inaugurated by the Post Office Department during the year and met with great favor, promising to become an established adjunct of the postal service. It delivers mail from one coast to another in less than 36 hours, compared to 96 by train.

Death struck hard into officialdom in 1924. Woodrow Wilson, war time President, died in Washington on February 3. His chief opponent, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, survived him only nine months, dying at his home in Nahant, Mass., in November. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace died in Washington in October, being succeeded by Howard Gore of West Virginia. The President's own son, Calvin, Jr., died of blood poisoning in July. Senator Le Baron B. Colt, of Rhode Island, and Frank Brandegee of Connecticut, likewise were removed by death, the latter a suicide. In the House, four members died, Representatives Dupre, Louisiana; Little, Kansas; Mudd, Maryland and Greene, Massachusetts, the latter after 26 years service. Another tragic death was that of Mrs. Florence Harding, widow of President Harding.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, died Dec. 13, at San Antonio, Texas. He had gone to Mexico City after the El Paso convention of the A. F. of L. The altitude did not agree with Gompers and he was taken ill. He was hurried out of Mexico to a lower altitude, but was taken from the train at San Antonio and died there. He was in his 75th year and had been at the head of the A. F. of L. since its organization in 1881.

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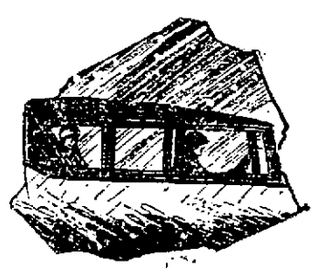

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SECOND TRIAL OF TESTERMAN TO OPEN MONDAY IN 77TH

Trial of C. H. Testerman on a charge of murder in connection with the death of Jim Fife nearly a year ago will start in the 77th district court at Groesbeck Monday.

A special venire of 100 men have called from which to select a jury to hear the case. The third trial of Testerman in September resulted in a hung jury.

An array of attorneys are pitted against each other in the case including some of the best legal talent of the district. In the defense of Testerman are J. E. Bradley of Groesbeck and Lud Williams of Waco and A. B. Reynolds of Mexia while District Attorney James Kimball, County Attorney Scott Reed, Assistant County Attorney Carl Cannon will represent the state with Kennedy and Lisle, law firm, as special prosecutors.

The case attracted wide attention at its first trial and hnd hundreds of spectators are expected in Judge A. M. Blackman's court when the trial opens. The first day at least will be spent in an effort to select a jury of 12 men. A long list of witnesses have been called to testify in the case.

Testerman is well known in the county and Fife, who was a neighbor of Testerman, was likewise well known.

IGNACIO ZULCAGO, Spanish painter, whose canvases are being exhibited in this country, photographed upon his arrival in New York on the S. S. Majestic.

Manahan Named To Succeed Willis As Dep'y Sheriff Here

E. L. Manahan, deputy sheriff, will succeed M. P. Willis in charge of the Mexia branch of the sheriff's office on January 1, according to an announcement of Whit Popejoy, sheriff.

Mr. Willis has resigned the office to take the place of constable, to which he was elected in the fall election.

Mr. Manahan, an officer of years of experience, has been a deputy in the office assisting Mr. Willis in the work here. Another deputy to assist Mr. Manahan is to be named by the sheriff.

Deputy Sheriff Manahan will have an office in the city hall near the new justice court rooms. He says his policy will be to continue the work to the best of his ability with fairness to all.

W. B. Landrum has returned from Little Rock where he spent the holidays. Mrs. Dandrum is remaining over for an extended visit.

W. B. Landrum was a Corsicana business visitor Wednesday.

First Assistant Postmaster Gen'l Told of Situation

In line with its policy to serve the public and to help the community become bigger and better, The Mexia Daily News recently communicated with the Third Assistant Postmaster eGneral in regard to the menacing conditions of local postal building facilities.

The following rply has been received:

"The Third Assistant Postmaster General has referred to this Bureau your telegram of the 22nd. instant, relative to the conditions at the Mexia post office."

The postmaster has been directed to submit an immediate report, in this regard, and appropriate action will be taken as soon as his reply is received."

Signed John H. Bartlett,
First Assistant Postmaster General,
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Over the National
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Four Thousand To Get Car Licenses In Limestone Co.

With but two days left to pay automobile license tax at the county tax collector's office but little more than one third of the automobiles of the county have been re-registered, according to a statement late Tuesday by W. A. Robbins, tax collector.

Mr. Robbins says that but 2500 licenses have been issued, while the number of automobiles in the county is estimated at 7,000. The new plates must be displayed on all automobiles driven after January 1, or the driver is subject to arrest.

Hundreds of applications are being made by mail and the tax collector promises despatch in handling these tax payers. A supply of applications blanks have been furnished the Mexia Daily News, which can be had by any person calling at the newspaper office.

Mr. Robbins suggests that he is ready to send a deputy to Mexia to assist motorists in filling in their application blanks if such is desired here, but cannot authorize a deputy to issue the plates here, due to rules of the highway department.

Officers of the law are expected to start enforcing the law with regard to license plates about 10 days after the first, and they are authorized to start on the first of the month.

News Classified Ads get results.

Sarah Grand, novelist, has again agreed to act as mayor of the English city of Bath during the ensuing year.

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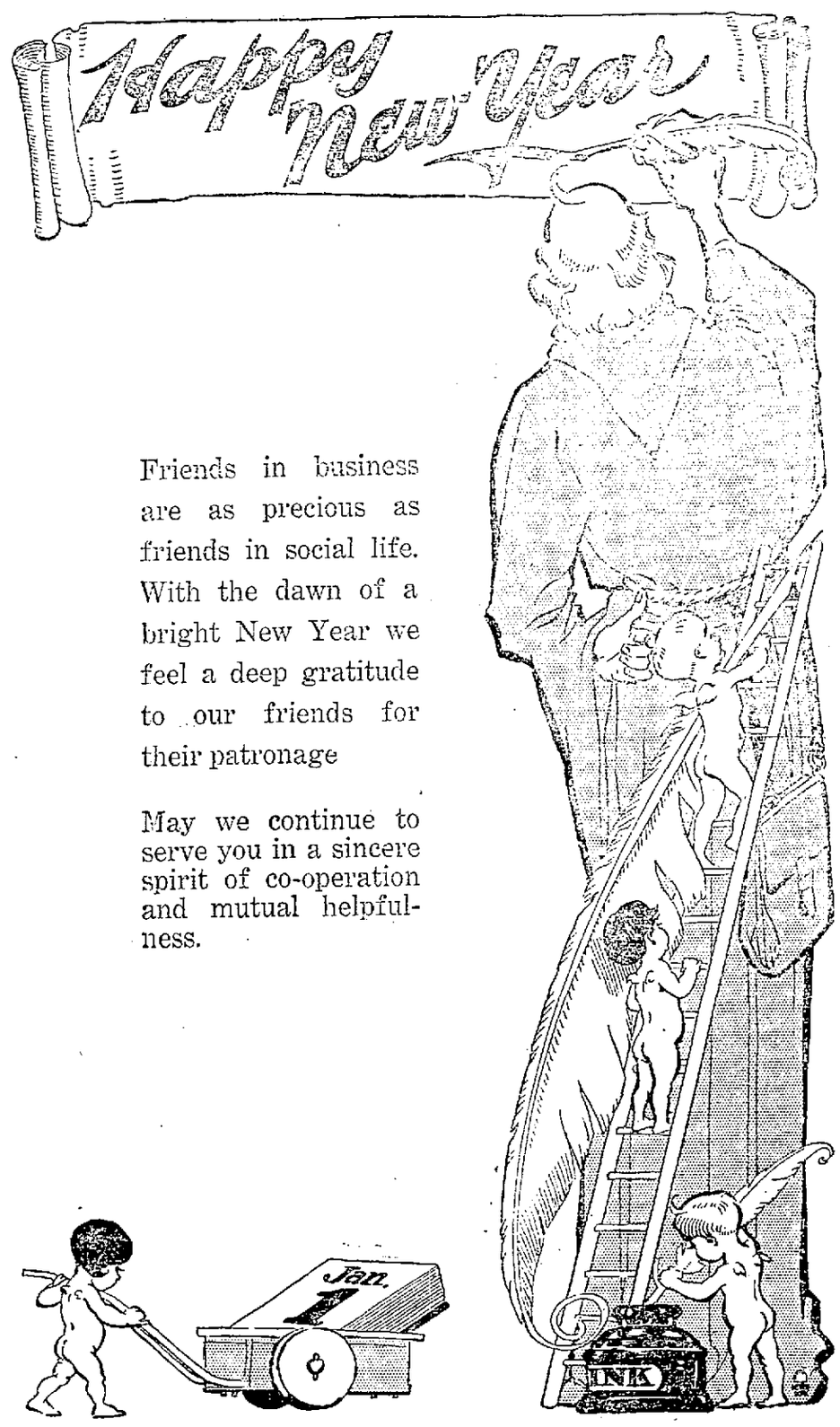

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Mexia Oil Operator Sends Generous Chk to Paul Quinn Col.

WACO, Dec., 31.—Santa Claus, that is so generous with his gifts at the Yuletide season, did not overlook Paul Quinn college of Waco this year.

On Christmas morning there came to W. D. Cain, one of the factors in the success that has been achieved by Paul Quinn, a check from J. K. Hughes, big oil operator of Mexia. The amount of the check is said to be the largest individual contribution ever received by Paul Quinn.

Last summer the Paul Quinn Choral club visited Mexia, with Cain in charge. They sang at the home of Mr. Hughes, for the pleasure of that gentleman, his family and a few friends, and they were given a generous collection at that time. Mr. Hughes did not forget the club, or the needs of the college, hence his gracious remembrance.

The money will be utilized in the construction of a sidewalk on the campus, and the name of Mrs. Hughes, wife of the generous donor, will be inscribed on the concrete steps.

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MRS. MARY T. NORTON, congresswoman-elect from New Jersey. She will be the only woman member of Congress from states east of the Mississippi River when she takes office March 4.

"PETER PAN", NEW PARAMOUNT FILM FEATURES A-1 CAST

For over half a year, the quest for a player to portray the title role in the Paramount film version of "Peter Pan" excited universal interest. Suggestions for the part poured into the Paramount studio from the four winds.

Seventeen year old Betty Bronson finally won the role, selected by James M. Barrie, the author, himself in a competition with some one hundred aspirants for this much coveted dramatic prize. Among them were some of the world's greatest artists. According to Barrie, pretty Miss Bronson is the ideal "Peter]

Ernest Torrence, the scout of "The Covered Wagon," and Lois Wilson's ranch foreman in "North of 36," is cast as Captain Hook, the pirate chief. Virginia Brown Faire is cast as the little fairy, Tinker Bell. Cyril Chadwick is Mr. Darling and Anna May Wong portrays the Indian girl, Tiger Lily. All the aforementioned players appear in featured roles in the cast.

Wendy, besides "Peter Pan" perhaps the most important role in the production, is played by Mary Brian. It is her first motion picture role and one of the finest portrayals of the season. Little Jack Murphy and [illegible] de Lacey are cast as Wendy, John and Michael Darling. Esther Ralston plays Mrs. [illegible], of course, we [illegible] forget Nana, the dog-nurse. George Ali gives a fine pantomimic performance in this part.

"Peter Pan," which opens a three days' run next Monday at the National Theatre was adapted for the screen by Willis Goldbeck.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Mexia deems it advisable to issue bonds of the said City for the purpose hereinafter mentioned:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, that an election be held on the 27th day of January 1925, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

"Shall the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Mexia, Texas, in the sum of Forty Thousand ($40,000.00) Dollars to become due and payable serially as follows: towit: One Thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, 1926, and One Thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, of each year thereafter unto and including the year 1966, and bearing interest at the rate of 5½ per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax on all the taxable property within said City sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds, and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the city of Mexia, Texas, under and by virtue of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. S. 1911, and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas."

The said election shall be held at the City Hall, in the City of Mexia, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, to-wit:

JERRY CASON,
Presiding Officer.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. S. 1911 and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and only qualified voters who are property tax-poyers of said City shall be allowed to vote at said election.

All voters who favor the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots, the words:

"For the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating General Elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Mexia, attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as proper notice of said election.

The Mayor is authorized and directed to cause said notice of the election to be posted up at the City Hall, and one at the Post Office and one at the Farmers State Bank Corner, all in the City of Mexia, for at least thirty (30) full days prior to the date of said election.

The Mayor is further authorized and directed to have said notice of election published in some newspaper of general circulation published in said City, and which notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the date of the first publication being not less than thirty (30) full days prior to the date of the election.

E. WATSON,
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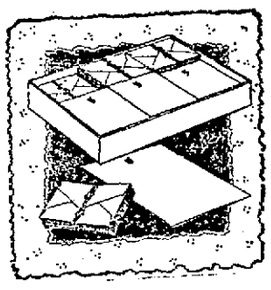

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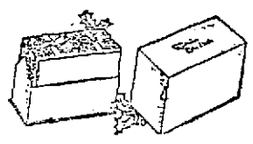

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By George McManus

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SAY-DO I HAVE TO WAIT ALL DAY FER MY BREAKFAST?
I DON'T KNOW-BUT I HOPE I'LL FINISH THESE CROSS-WORD PUZZLES BY NIGHT-
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We collect bad account and judgements. We make hot checks (hotter). See us we will get results. Mexia Detective Bureau, City Hall. 19-T-30

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SAW HOSPITAL, J. E. Fox, 731 S. Bonham or address box 455, saws filed, set and jointed, an all around mechanic, will call and deliver scissors, knives, razors, etc. 29X2

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FOR SALE—1924 Buick roadster, bargain for cash sale, or might accept Ford car, see Ellis Hargrove, Mexia Tire & Battery Station No. 3. 24X7

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FOR SALE—One new 5-room house ½ block off of pavement, phone 612W or see John Bonner at Post Office. 29X7

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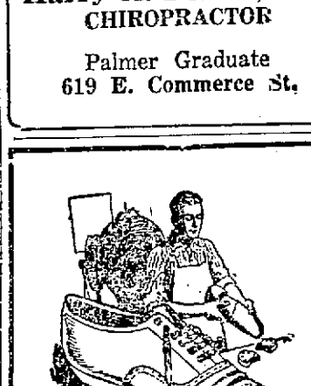

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One of these wells being 2,000 barrels at a depth of 1223 feet. The bringing in of these wells caused Red Bank Oil Company stock to go from $1.50 per share to $58.00 per share.

THE MOFFAT OIL FIELDS CORPORATION also owns 40 acres at Wellington, Colorado.

100 acres at Craig, Colorado and acreage at Chautauqua County, Kansas, which is on the Oklahoma line.

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The Wortham field is the fastest in history and if you want to get some of this cheap stock of MOFFAT OIL FIELDS CORPORATION at ¼ cent per share, you will have to act quick, as the price is going to advance.

This company is now negotiating for royalties in this wonderful field, and if you have royalty for sale submit it to us.

NOTE: The E. L. Smith Oil Company, J. K. Hughes and Humphreys-Boyd are heavy operators in the Wortham field; also their headquarters are close to here, being in Mexia and Dallas, Texas.

We will be glad to keep you in touch with any new developments of these and other companies and will appreciate your buy and sell orders in these and other stocks.

We handle stocks for cash or on payments of 10% down and 10% a month.

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State Aid Officer Visits Limestone County Schools

J. D. Conn, Austin, state school aid supervisor, is in Limestone county making a survey of 47 schools which have made application to the state for funds above the regular allowance. The state officer will spend two weeks in the county and pass on application while here.

There are 71 schools districts in the county. Three above the 47 are eligible for state aid but are in such condition that they do not need the aid. Mr. Conn will determine whether the amounts asked shall be granted. The state aids schools in maintaining the standard of teaching force and paying other expenses by various sums as the state officer determines is needed.

Most schools of the county have resumed teaching after the holidays, according to Mrs. Cora Ferguson, county superintendent of schools, who says that the teachers and pupils alike had rather have the additional week at the end of the term than at Christmas time.

During the year 1924 three schools buildings and three teacherages have been erected, records show. At Mr. Joy, Central institute and Ceder districts new school buildings have been erected and teacherages have been erected at Ben Hur, Nonger and Mark's Chapel.

A number of other teacherages are planned in various districts. Good attendance at county schools during the fall has been reported from all districts. The good attendance is due to good weather and early completion of the cotton picking in the county.

Mrs. Ferguson has moved into her new offices in the basement of the new court house at Groesbeck, where a large space has been assigned her department. She will begin another term in office on New Year's Day.

List of Names Running Short

[By United Press]

EL PASO, Dec. 30.—Papa Ortega had named seventeen of his children, but stalled there. Number 18 was clinging to his left foot as he stood in front of his blacksmith shop here, answering questions patiently.

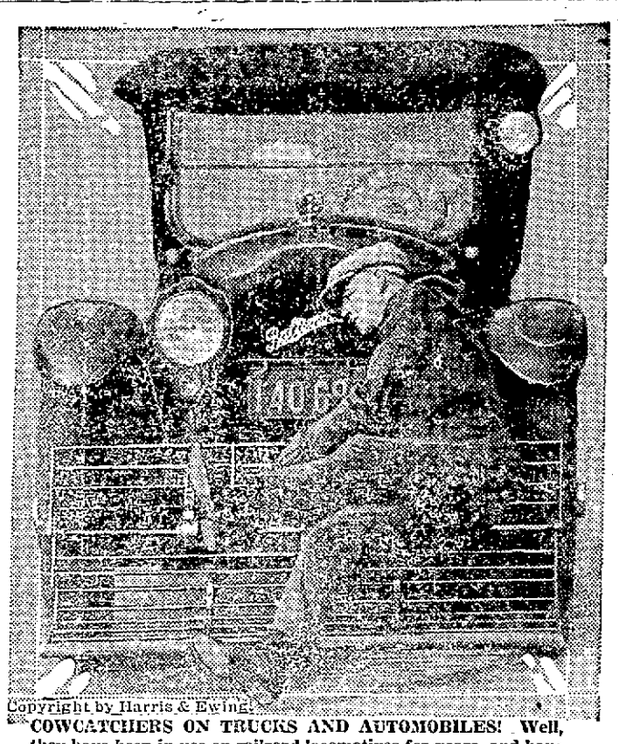
"Adela" informed Modesto, aged 4½, who had been number 17 on the list.

"Then there's Beatrice, 14 months Papa Ortega went on, his courage restored by the prompting, "and an another comes in March—that's twenty."

Fifteen are living, thirteen of them still at home. Jose Maria, Ejhenio, Jose, Leonardo, Paz, Pedro, Bonifacio, Juan, Manuela, Clara, Delphina, Carnel, Leonora, Juan Adolfe, Adelpho junior, Adala, Modesto, Beatrice, and Bernardo. The family lived in the upper half of an adobe shack which housed the blacksmith shop, but Papa Ortega decided to move to a farm.

"It is best" he said, simply. Six big mules, a mare and a colt dragged three wagon loads of Ortegas to their new home near Los Cruces, and El Paso lost 21 members of its population, besides the one coming in March.

One of the oldest superstitions prevalent all over Europe is the idea that animals assume the power of speech at Christmas time.



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COWCATCHERS ON TRUCKS AND AUTOMOBILES! Well, they have been in use on railroad locomotives for years, and have proved their worth. This one picked up a man at 25 miles an hour at a demonstration in Washington. He was not scratched.

No Days of Grace For Auto License

No instructions to give additional time for the purchase of automobile licenses for 1925 have been received by the county tax collector nor other officials of the county, Police Chief A. R. Mace has been advised.

Under the law all automobiles driven on New Year's day and thereafter must bear the plates of the new year. Motorists have in some past years been granted additional time before the law is enforced but no instruction to extend the time has been received here.

The tax collector at Groesbeck has plenty of plates to supply the motorists of the county and applications are being made at his office for the necessary new tags.

The tax collector's office will continue to issue the plates after the first, however. The driver of the automobile being at his own risk of being detained by the officers.

ALL RIGHT—EXCEPT.

HOUSTON, Dec. 30.—Ray Scruggs, city attorney described life in the suburbs of Houston during the recent storm.

"All we lacked during the cold snap is lights and water and gas and telephones and street cars. We had a little trouble getting coal and groceries too."

Marriages During Christmas Period Show Cupid Busy

While Jack Frost aparently held sway during the Christmas period in Mexia, Dan Cupid did not evacuate this territory in favor of the former, but remained at his post with fairly good success.

Among the Christmas weddings in Mexia were several affecting well known families.

On last Saturday afternoon Leslie William Seymour, of Southwestern Methodist University, Dallas, was married to Miss Lillian Ross of Mexia, at the First Presbyterian church, Rev. E. H. Hudson officiating.

On Christmas Eve a church wedding took place at the First Baptist church, Henry M. Ford, of the Jarecki Manufacturing coming, taking Miss Lois E. Terry of Mexia as his bride. The Rev. Joe Jeffres officiated at the ceremony.

Other weddings of the season included the marriage of J. A. Vaughn and Miss Lulu Greer, both of Mexia. Mr. Vaughn is a barber. Both he and his bride are well known here.

Paul B. Hicks and Miss Vera Jean Lester were united in marriage during the holidays.

SOME APPLE TREE.

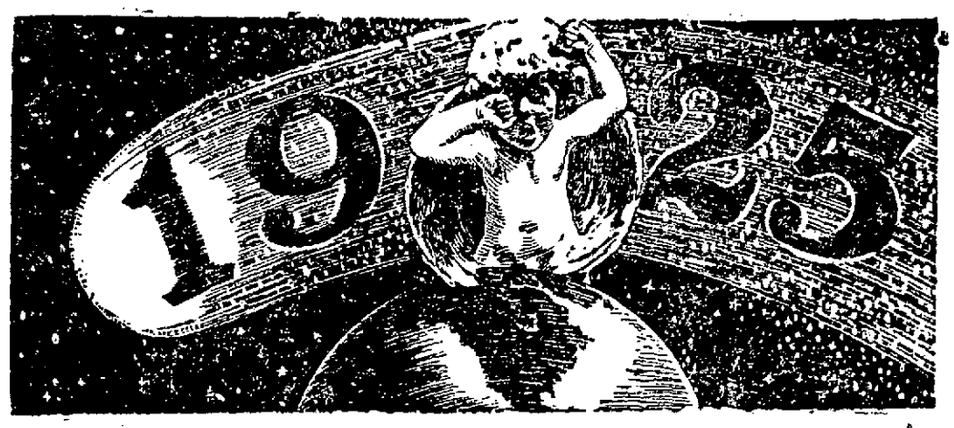
[By United Press]

SAN SABA, Dec. 30.—Twenty-four bushels of apples from one tree was the record turned in here by S. E. Jamar, San Saba county fruit grower. The fruit brought from $1 to $1.50 a bushel. Nearly two bushels of marble-sized apples were threshed from the tree early early in the summer to prevent destruction of the branches, Jamar said.

DALLAS.—Doc Stewart's Texas Longhorns beat the Stickle Lumberjacks, 24 to 22, in a hard fought game here last night.

FORT WORTH.—The Dallas Bocthians fell before Texas Christian University Cagers, 25 to 18, here last night.

Everyone tells us that li'l Joe looks like his grandfather; but he'll probably be pretty well haired out when he gets older.



With the waning of the old year and the welcome of the New, we desire to express our thanks and appreciation to those who have favored us with their patronage.

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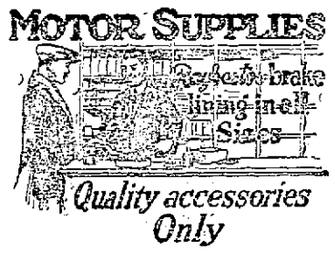

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